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KIUKIANG OFFICES BEING RE-OPENED.

TIENTSIN CONCESSION MAY BE HANDED OVER.

ANTI-BRITISH PARADES.

With the object of effecting the retrocession of the British Concession at Tientsin an Anglo-Chinese Commission is being formed there. Regarding the British Concession at Kiukiang, it is reported that the British Consular flag was re-hoisted there on Monday with due ceremonial, Chinese authorities attending a reception.

At Ichang, where it was reported that an incident had occurred between stevedores and a naval party as a consequence of which the Labour Unions were demanding the withdrawal of all British forces, the situation is a little easier.

There have been anti-foreign and anti-British demonstrations at Wuhu, Chungking and Changsha, all of which passed off without untoward incident. The British steamer Kutwo is still detained at Wuhu, in connection with her collision with military craft.

Yesterday, a big batch of questions relating to China were asked in the House of Commons, mostly by Labour members, Mr. G. Locker-Lampson replying.

It is now announced that the Suffolks are not returning to Hongkong from Shanghai, and that over the week-end the aircraft carrier H. M. S. Argus, the cruiser H. M. S. Dauntless and the Eighth Destroyer Flotilla are expected to arrive in Hongkong.

Peking, March 7.

It is understood that an Anglo-Chinese Commission, including Sir James Jamieson, is being formed to effect the retrocession of the British Concession at Tientsin to China.—*Reuter.*

NAVAL REPORTS.

Ichang Situation Little Easier.

Ichang, Mar. 7.

A reply has been sent to the Labour Union demands but, up to the present no answer has been received. The situation, however, appears to be a little easier.—*Naval Wireless.*

Procession Boards British Hulk.

Wuhu, March 7.

The s.s. Kutwo still remains here pending the result of the negotiations in connection with her collision.

Over six thousand Southern troops have arrived and a procession of welcome took place. The procession boarded the British hulk but left without trouble. As usual, the arrival of the troops was followed by the appearance of anti-British and anti-foreign posters.—*Naval Wireless.*

Kiukiang Consulate Reopened.

Kiukiang, Mar. 7.

Firing on ships on the Gap near Tatung has now ceased. General Tan Yen-kai has left for Hankow. The British Consular flag was re-hoisted ashore this afternoon (Monday) with due ceremonial, and the Chinese authorities attended a reception at the Consulate.

The offices will be re-opened ashore to-morrow.—*Naval Wireless.*

More Anti-British Parades.

Chungking, Mar. 7.

A large anti-British demonstration passed in procession through the city yesterday, without untoward incident. The foreign quarter is quiet.—*Naval Wireless.*

Changsha, Mar. 7.

Anti-British and anti-Fengtien demonstrations, chiefly the latter, took place yesterday, and passed off without incident.—*Naval Wireless.*

Hankow Quiet.

Hankow, Mar. 7.

The general atmosphere is quiet. A meeting of the military party

WAR OUTLOOK.

SOUTHERNERS WANT NANKING.

THE FIRST OBJECTIVE.

A representative of the North China Daily News has had an interview with a brigadier-general in the Southern Army, who left on March 1st for Hankow.

Asked whether the Southerners intended to make a drive on Shanghai, the officer replied that Shanghai was of secondary importance. The important problem was to capture Nanking and prevent Marshal Chang Chung-chang from sending his troops this way.

The Logical Course.

The Southerners would follow the logical course of making simultaneous drives in Soochow, Wushih and Changchow, via the Taihu Lake. This would mean that they would have to capture Hsueh on their way to Wushih and Changchow and that they must work their way up the canal to Soochow from Kashiing and Hanichow. As far as the latter was concerned, the task was not an impossible one but the push on Hsueh, Wushih and Changchow would be more difficult.

The Southerners would probably push their way to Hsueh first by waterways from Hangchow and Kashiing. Then simultaneous land and water forces would attack Hsueh, the former marching round the lake and the latter crossing from Hsueh in boats. After the capture of Hsueh, the forces would concentrate in Changchow and Wushih, whilst their comrades attacked Soochow.

With these cities in their possession, it would not be a difficult matter to prevent the Shantung army from coming eastward. Shanghai would then become isolated and its fall would be automatic. There was not much to fear from the landing of forces from Shantung by transports as the Shantung army did not relish fighting.

Waiting Game at Sungkiang.

Questioned regarding the Sungkiang situation, the informant said that there were sufficient forces to defend this place, especially as the Northerners themselves had taken the initiative in blowing up the railway bridge, No. 31. As the Nationalists were not intent on taking Shanghai for the present, they would content themselves with their present positions and not waste ammunition.

In reply to a question as to why they did not want Shanghai, the informant reiterated that this was of secondary importance only and that Nanking must first be taken, and, in order to take Nanking, they were waiting for reinforcements to arrive from Kiangsi and Fukien. After all, he asked, of what use was Shanghai if Nanking was not taken? Shanghai was all right if the Southerners wanted money. There was plenty of money here, if one considered the Customs and the opium revenues, but the Southerners had sufficient money and they did not need to worry on that score.

Handicapped for Munitions.

The informant admitted that the Southerners were greatly handicapped so far as their arms and ammunition were concerned. They had all sorts of rifles and guns—Russian, German, Italian, French—but these were not uniform and the ammunition fitted in some cases whereas in others it did not.

There were, he said in conclusion, sufficient forces in Honan and Hupeh to withstand any attack on the part of the Shantung and Fengtien armies and he thought that there was not the slightest danger so far as Hankow was concerned. Moreover, the Fengtien command had still to consider the Kuominchun as a fighting force.

THE DETENTION OF MRS. BORODIN.

SOVIET EMBASSY'S NOTE TO CHINA.

RELEASE DEMANDED.

Peking, March 7.

The Tass Agency states that the Soviet Embassy sent a Note to the Foreign Office here on Saturday drawing attention to "an unheard-of incident"—namely, that Russian White Guards of Marshal Chang Tsung-chang's Army on February 28th seized the Soviet merchant steamer, Pania Lenina, whilst en route to Hankow, and used the vessel for the transport of troops and ammunition, detaining the crew and passengers, including Diplomatic couriers, whose fate is so far unknown.

The Embassy demands the immediate release of the passengers and also demands that the vessel be allowed to proceed to her destination unmolested.

The Soviet holds the Chinese Government responsible for the lives and property of the citizens endangered by the incident and reserves the right to claim damages for all losses sustained.—*Reuter.*

The vessel referred to was seized by Marshal Chang Tsung-chang's forces at Nanking because of the reported discovery of ammunition in the bunkers. Mrs. Borodin and three Russian Jews were amongst those on board, and a message to hand yesterday stated that they had been sent under escort to Tsinan.

SMALL-POX OUTBREAK.

TWELVE DEATHS LAST WEEK.

The health return for the past week shows that 16 cases of small-pox were notified, of which 12 ended fatally. Thirteen of the cases were Chinese (two imported) and the other three were imported Indian cases. All excepting one Kowloon case were from the city of Victoria.

Yesterday, three further Chinese cases were notified, all from Hongkong. Last week's return also shows six cases of typhoid fever (one fatal), the sufferers being four Chinese and two British. One further Chinese case of typhoid was notified yesterday, as well as one British case of diphtheria and one case of rabies (a dog).

INDUSTRIAL FAIR.

RECORD ATTENDANCE OF BUYERS.

London, Mar. 7.

It was stated in the House of Commons to-day that the number of buyers who visited the London section of the British Industries Fair was 74,462, of whom 1,500 came from Overseas.

These figures showed an increase of over 25 per cent. on last year. In addition, the general public visited the Fair to the number of 25,000 in London and 10,000 in Birmingham. Exhibitors in all sections of the Fair had expressed themselves as more than satisfied with the business done.—*British Wireless.*

SIR FRANCIS AGLEN.

A FAREWELL GATHERING.

Peking, Mar. 7.

Most of the Foreign Ministers and other prominent people attended a luncheon given in honour of Sir Francis Aglen, who leaves for Shanghai on Wednesday.

M. Oudenrijk (Dutch Minister), Mr. Yoshizawa (Japanese Minister) and Sir Miles Lampson (British Minister) wished Sir Francis God-speed.—*Reuter.*

ARMY ESTIMATES.

MECHANISED FORCES IN FUTURE.

PETROL OUSTS HORSES.

London, Mar. 7.

The mechanised army of the future was visualised by Sir L. Worthington Evans in introducing the Army Estimates in the House of Commons.

He claimed that although financial necessities compelled a reduction in personnel and expenditure they were constantly endeavouring to increase efficiency by improved mobility and greater fire power. Dealing with the reduction of cavalry at Home by 1,300 men at a saving of £93,000 this year and £237,000 in a full year, Sir Worthington Evans said that the savings would be used to modernise and improve the fighting value of cavalry by providing mechanised vehicles for the first-line transport and eight machine guns instead of four per cavalry regiment, to be carried on mechanical vehicles instead of on pack horses. He estimated that £238,000 would be spent next year on new mechanical vehicles and £125,000 on research, which was very small in view of the problem of the petrol-driven army of the future.

He anticipated that where in the past, cavalry had scouted twenty miles ahead of the army, armoured cars would move over one hundred miles, while, with armoured cars, mechanised machine guns, and units would be able to circle round the enemy and tanks, impervious to bullets, but able to hit and smash far more effectively than the existing arms. Artillery must also be mechanised in order to enable it to follow up petrol-driven weapons over all sorts of country. An experimental mechanised force was being formed at Tidworth in order to gain practical experience of the effect of mechanisation on tactics.—*Reuter.*

Fewer Men: Less Money.

Introducing the Army Estimates, Sir Lamington Worthington-Evans, Minister for War, said that although a larger number of men were asked for than last year, the fact is that the estimates provided for a reduction of about 4,000 men in the regular army. The figures of the estimates showed an increase of 7,100 men but this was largely accounted for by despatch to Shanghai of the Defence Force and also by the transfer to the Imperial Government of the garrison at Aden, which was last year provided by India. Actually, the reduction of 14,000 of the regular army was effected by the reduction of 47 officers and 1,294 other ranks, due to the re-organisation of Cavalry, and 18 officers and 61 men in the Royal Artillery, also chiefly due to re-organisation and certain minor trimmings of the establishment of Corps of Signals.

The total net cash for which he asked was £41,565,000, which was £935,000 less than last year. During the last six years there had been a continuous and heavy fall in the army estimates although the rate of the fall was naturally decreased.

Finding New Money.

Turning to the larger aspects of the estimates, Sir Worthington-Evans said that he had to provide for an expanding programme of mechanisation upon which more money was being spent in subsequent years. Unless, therefore, the estimates were to be increased he had to find the new money by a reduction of present expenditure. He hoped to obtain from the reduction of Cavalry this year £93,000 rising to £237,000 in a year when the full effect of the reduction was realised, and also he hoped to secure £54,000 this year from the abolition of bounties for new entrants to the Territorial Army, rising to £32,000 in a few years' time.—*British Wireless.*

Votes Agreed To.

Later.
Votes fixing the army strength at 164,000, including India, and (Continued on page 12.)

ANOTHER JAPANESE EARTHQUAKE.

SHOCKS FELT IN FOUR BIG CITIES.

U. S. TOURIST KILLED?

Tokyo, March 7.

Nagoya, Kyoto, Osaka and Kobe felt a severe earthquake shock at 6.23 this evening, of three minutes' duration with a horizontal movement. The seismic centre was reported to be at Tajima, where the earthquake was most severe.

The precise extent of the damage is not yet known, but apparently, it was not serious.

The shock in the Kyoto and Osaka district resulted in the stoppage of the electric supply, and people ran into the streets. Tokyo and Yokohama were not affected.—*Reuter.*

Later.
Reports from Kobe state that several American tourists were injured and one killed by falling from a gang plank when boarding a steamer during the earthquake.

A message from Osaka states that the police have announced that 11 were killed and 92 injured, in the Prefecture. Most of the country people remained out of doors throughout the night, when frequent shocks were felt.—*Reuter.*

FRANCE AND WAR.

SWEEPING DEFENCE BILL PASSED.

Paris, March 7.

The Chamber has adopted by 500 votes to 31 the National Defence Bill providing that in war time all French nationals without distinction of sex or age and all legally constituted bodies will be obliged to participate either as combatants or non-combatants in the maintenance of France's material and moral life. The Government is empowered to mobilise the country's entire human material resources under the supreme direction of the Premier. Every man up to 40 will have to serve at the front and the Government will have general rights of requisition, thus guarding against profiteering.—*Reuter.*

BANK LOSES CASE.

FRAUD CLAIM FAILS.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation lost their action against Mr. G. R. Henkel, of Hankow, of Tls. 47,000 according to a judgment given by Judge Milton D. Purdy in the U. S. Court for China at Shanghai last week. The Bank had sued for the sum with interest from March 3, 1926, as damages for fraud and deceit which, it was alleged the defendant practised upon the bank while he was acting as director and manager of the Central China Export Company.

Judge Purdy found there was no fraudulent representation and judgment was accordingly entered for the defendant with costs.

MOTOR THIEVES.

CAR STOLEN IN KOWLOON.

Motor thieves made their appearance in Kowloon last night when they stole a car (No. 1006) whilst it was left unattended at the junction of Jordan and Nathan Roads.

The owner of the car, Mr. E. J. Figueroa, had gone into a house near-by to see a friend, and on his return some time later in the evening, he found that his car had vanished.

The police have been supplied with details of the car.

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STRIKE THREAT.

TERRORISTS BUSY IN SHANGHAI.

MILL WORKERS SHOT.

In regard to the reports of the possibility of another general strike in Shanghai, advice now to hand show that terrorism is the weapon now being wielded by extremists and Communists employed by the General Labour Union there. They are now attempting to reduce workers to such a state of fear with a view to ensuring their immediate compliance with an order for a general strike as soon as it is issued.

In the course of the past week (says the Shanghai Mercury of Wednesday last) three employees of mills have been shot to death, two have been wounded, and there is reason to believe that several foremen and forewomen have received letters containing threats against their lives.

Two Arrests Made.

The police are well informed as to the doings of these pernicious agitators, and have been able to arrest two men entrusted with these murderous missions. Both were in possession of pistols, ammunition, and inflammatory literature, and one of them was arrested after he had shot to death a loyal mill foreman.

On Wednesday morning, before Judge Li and American Assessor Hamilton, in the Provisional Court, the murderer was arraigned and admitted having committed the murder, and said he did not know why he did it. The police, being desirous of making further inquiries, asked that the case be remanded, and Judge Li granted a remand of two weeks.

Plan Outlined.

Reports in circulation indicate that agitators are anxious to set up a Committee form of local government at Shanghai, as soon as Chinese territory on the borders of the Settlement passes under Cantonese control.

With a view to furthering this scheme, they are now advocating that citizens should demonstrate their power and authority by

(a) Calling a General Strike, which should be completely effective within six hours from the time the first appeal is made.

(b) Calling a conference to select the members of the local government.

(c) Disarming defeated soldiers who retreat to Shanghai.

It will thus be seen that the stringent measures adopted by the Defence Commissioner during the past few weeks, when he has ordered the execution of some 200 agitators and extremists and their paid employees, has not completely had the effect of dampening the ardour of these pro-Cantonese and Communist extremists and assassins.

Stern Measures Expected.

No doubt stern measures will be taken again by the Chinese defence authorities to stamp out the murderous attacks on workers who have throughout expressed their willingness and desire to work, but are being terrorised into submission to the will of these obstructors of commerce. The International Settlement police are doing their utmost to protect workers, thus enabling work to be normally carried on.

While Shanghai is thus menaced with strikes, no serious labour disturbances have occurred so far in the cities and ports in Chekiang, which recently came under Cantonese control.

The workers of Shanghai, with a few exceptions, ignored the appeal of the National Labour Union in Hankow for work throughout the country to cease between the hours of 10 and 11 a.m. on February 28. All workers refused to stop work in the Settlement, Pootung, and Nantao but in Chapei the principal enterprises, including the Commercial Press, temporarily discontinued work between 10.15 a.m. and 11.15 a.m.—*The Argus.*

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SPEECH DAY.

SACRED HEART PRIZES DISTRIBUTED.

There was a large gathering at St. Patrick's Hall yesterday afternoon, when the Sacred Heart School held its annual prize distribution. The Director of Education, Mr. A. E. Wood, The Rev. Father Spada and The Rev. Father Noval were among those present.

Prior to the distribution, the Man Sing Band rendered a pleasing selection of musical items. A short play in three parts, entitled "Columbus and the Egg," was given by the students, and was much applauded.

The Headmaster called upon Mr. Li Yau-chuen to distribute the prizes. He said that the presence of so many ladies and gentlemen on their prize day would no doubt have a stimulating effect on the staff and would encourage them to strive to give of their best. The Headmaster read his report as follows:

Annual Report.

The academic year, 1926, may be said to be an eventful year. For the convenience of the pupils who live on the Peninsula, the school which was situated at St. Joseph's Terrace was removed to Ki Cheng building, Nathan Rd. In the latter building an airy hostel was opened and all available accommodation was instantly occupied.

On account of the strike, many of our boys were stranded at Canton, therefore the number of students on the roll in the year under review, was by far smaller than that of the previous year. In the year 1926, the school was opened for 219 days and the average daily attendance was ninety-six percent.

Examination.

The school examination took place in December and the results of all classes are quite satisfactory. 1926 was the first year the school opened a Matriculation Class and in January there were six boys in that class; but among these six, only three remained until the end of the year, and these three were sent for the University Examination. To the satisfaction of both parents and teachers, they all passed. Among these three one is the product of our school and he is now a resident of May Hall. He was trained up from class 7 to pass the matriculation in four years' time. As our boys are very much advanced in age, it is sometimes difficult for us to make them complete their course before they leave school, for they are often called upon by their parents either to help them to look after their business or to earn a living.

Sports.

The physical culture of our boys is by no means neglected. We encourage them to take part in sports of various kinds, both indoor and out-door, and football is our most favourite game. Owing to circumstances our school's annual athletic sports meeting was interrupted last year, but we hope to hold it again in the coming month this year.

We are also glad to report that since February last more than one hundred new boys were admitted to the school, besides those who were refused admission on account of unfitness.

In conclusion, I wish to ask parents or guardians of the boys attending our school to inspect regularly and punctually the students' reports and not to allow them to absent themselves from school without sufficient reason. (Applause.)

School Congratulated.

Before presenting the prizes, Mr. Li Yau-chuen said:—It affords me the greatest pleasure to be present here to-day to distribute the prizes to the successful students. Though I am a poor speaker, I cannot help standing up to say a few words to congratulate the school and the students on their

NICARAGUAN REVOLT.

PEACE DELEGATION'S EFFORTS FAIL.

New York, March 7.—The Liberal Peace Delegation from Managua, which is accompanied by two American marine officers and protected by the Stars and Stripes, conferred at Maymuy on Thursday in an effort to end hostilities. The Delegation has returned to the capital as all efforts to persuade General Moncada, the Liberal military leader, to accept peace have failed. Moncada explained that he was under orders from the Liberal President, Sacasa.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Success.

From the headmaster's report, as well as from the newspapers, we know that the school has had a great success this year. The school has sent in three students for the Matriculation examination, and all of them have passed creditably. Such a result is, if my memory serves me, one of the most remarkable of its kind on record. I have to express my appreciation to the headmaster and the teachers of the school, without whose excellent method of teaching the school would not have been so successful. Of course, it is also the diligence and attentiveness on the part of the students that have helped to achieve it.

Another thing I wish to say is that the students of the Colony have been afforded the greatest opportunity to study, since they have such an excellent Governor who takes so great an interest in the education of the Chinese, and who has been pleased to appoint Mr. Wood, as the Director of Education. Mr. Wood, as we all know, is a man versed both in the English and the Chinese languages, especially Chinese classics.

I say students are afforded an opportunity, because I am aware that with the help and the educational work of such a Director as Mr. Wood their education can never be neglected. Before I conclude, ladies and gentlemen, I wish to thank the headmaster for the honour given me in asking me to distribute prizes and also to express my best wishes for the welfare and success of the school. (Applause.)

The prize winners were as follows:—

Matriculation 1926 (Winners of Gold Medals): Wong, Ya Kwan, Wong Fat Chong, Pang Chak Sang.

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For Good Conduct and Application: Shuk Pui Tim, Kwok Shiu Wen, Au Yeung Hsiang, Butt Kam, Li Fook Ling, Au Yeung Chong, Leong Wing Tak, A. Shuk, Lau Chun Kung.

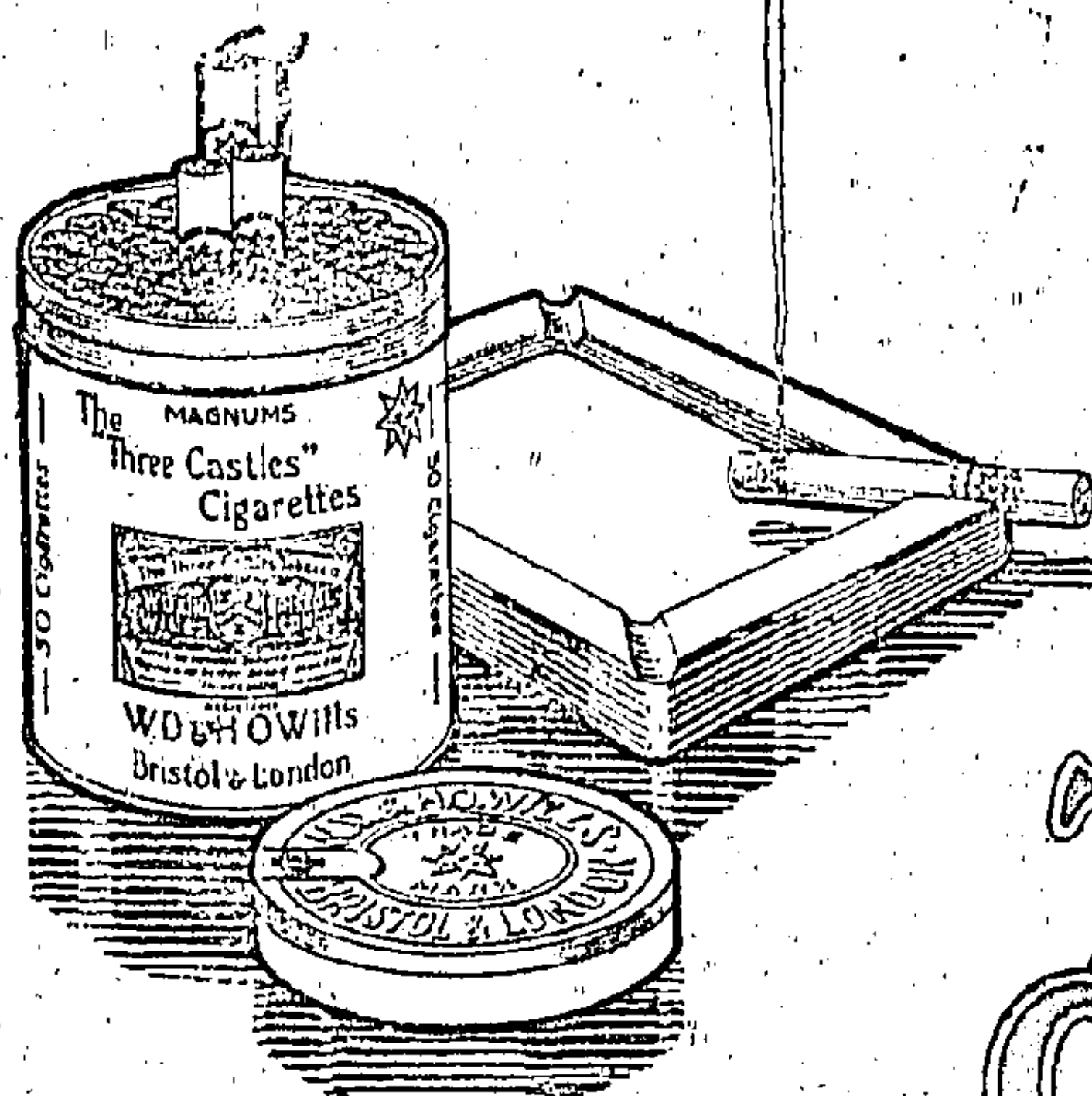
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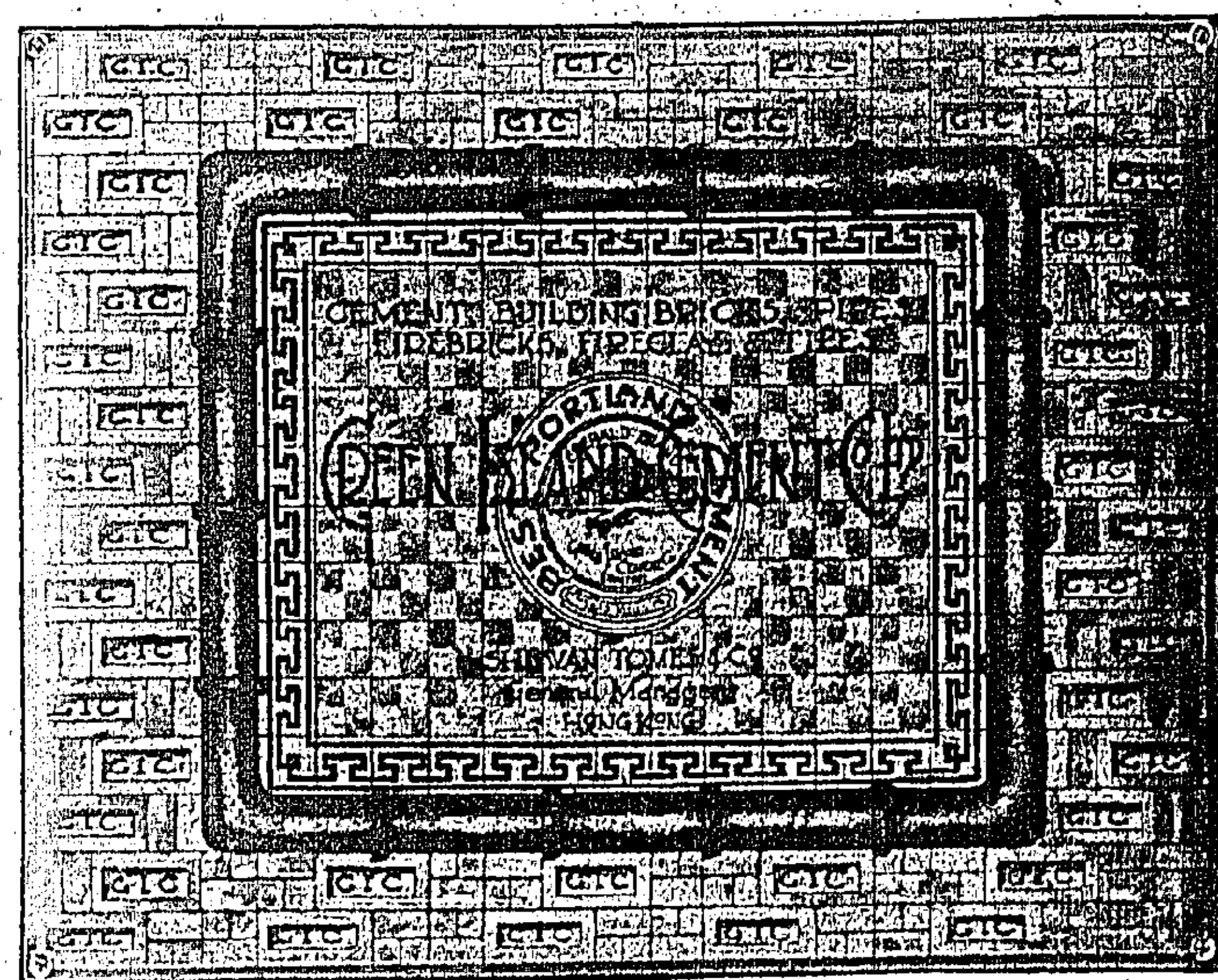


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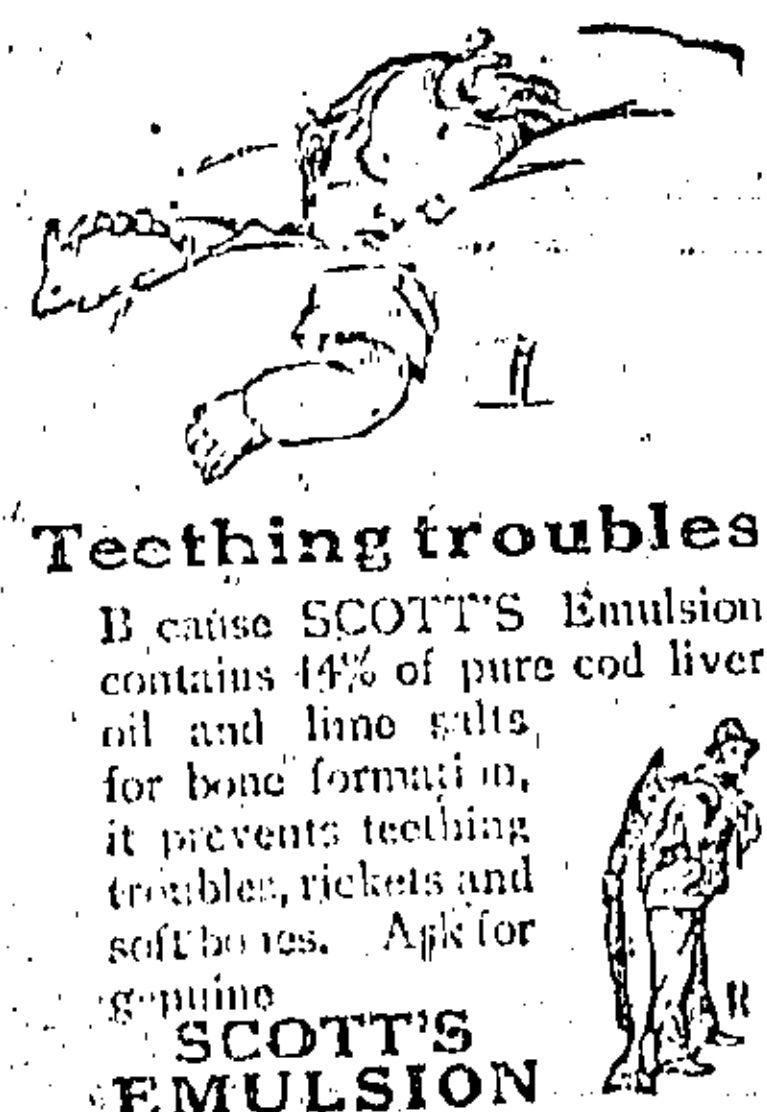
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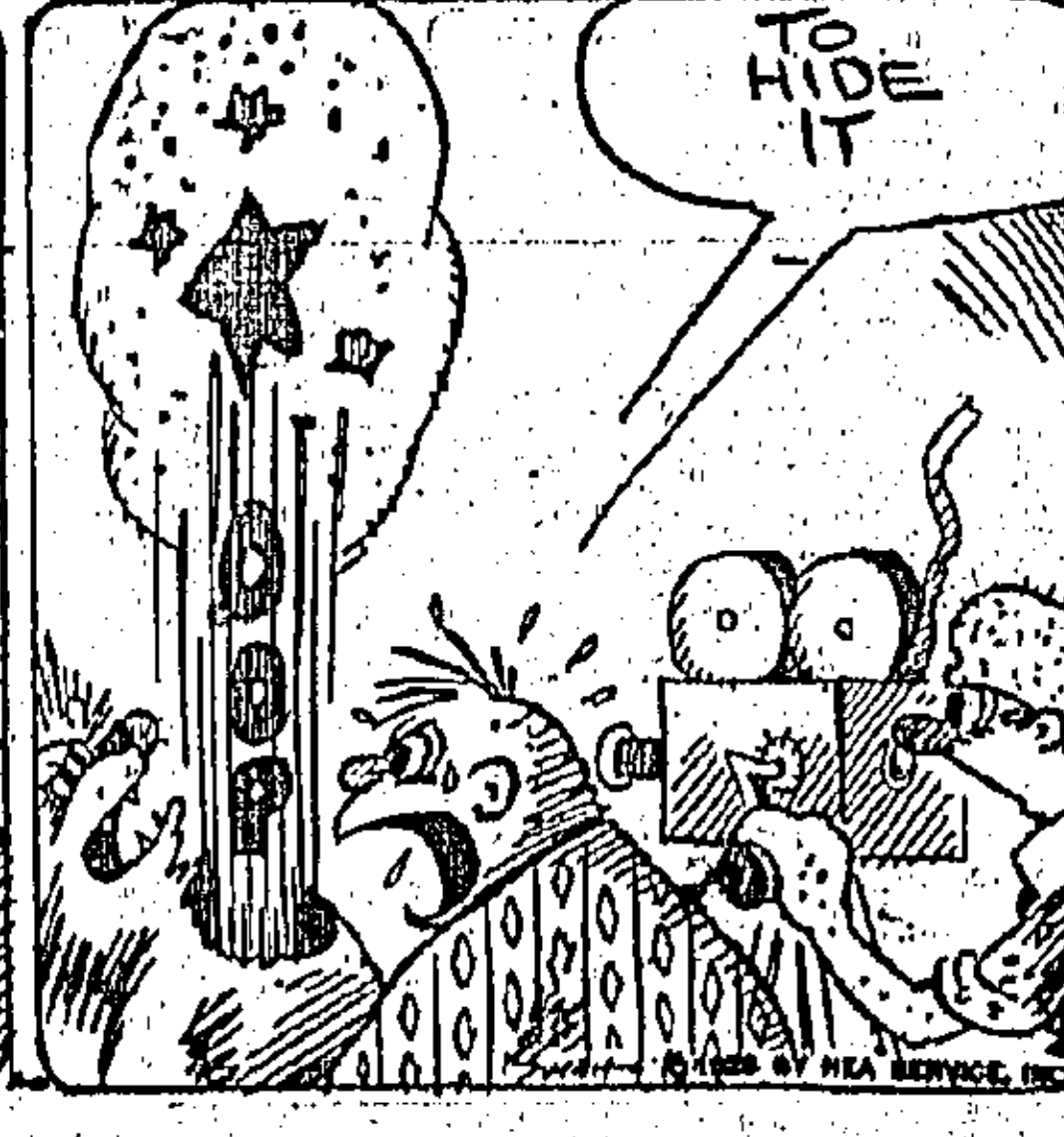
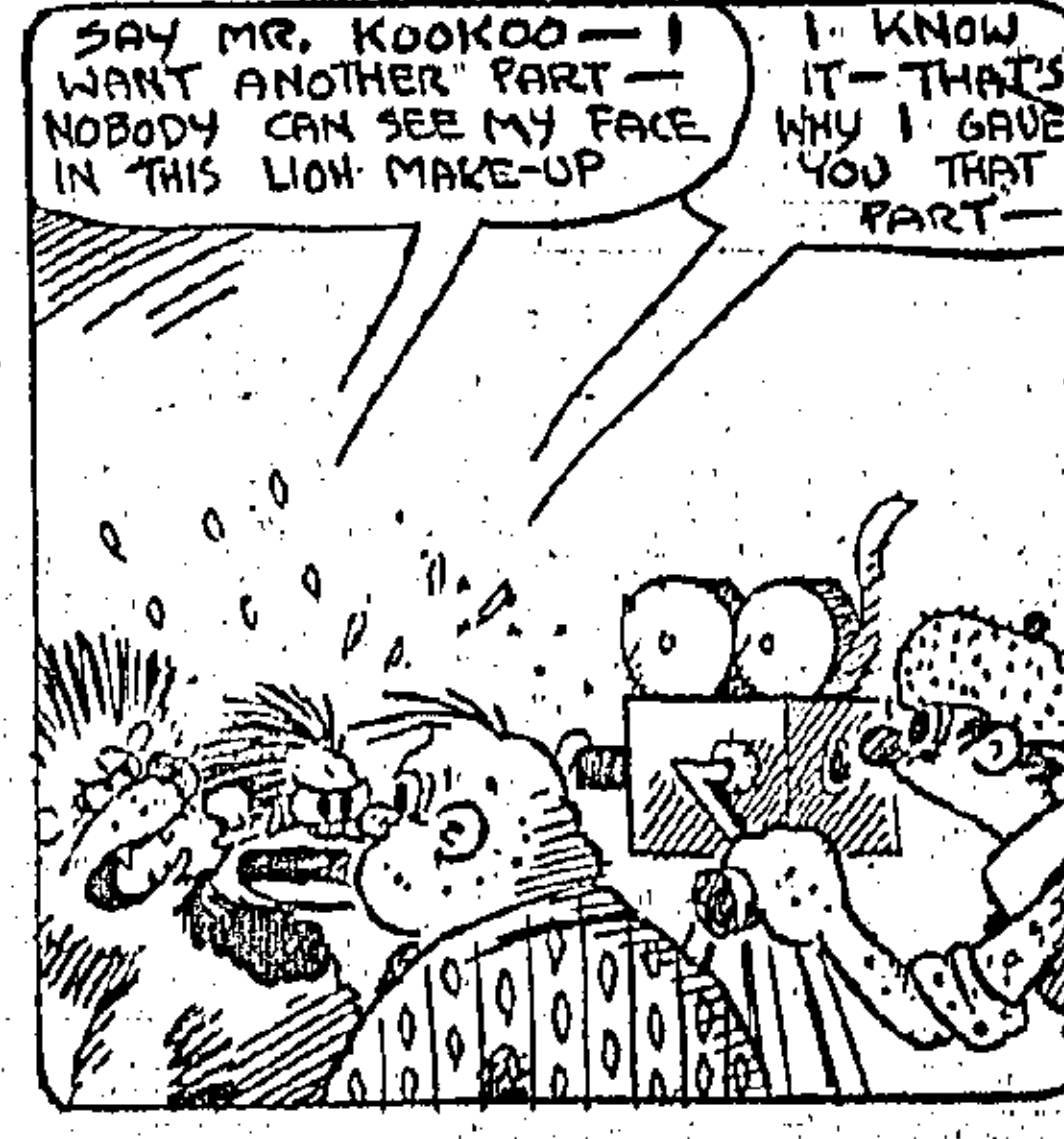
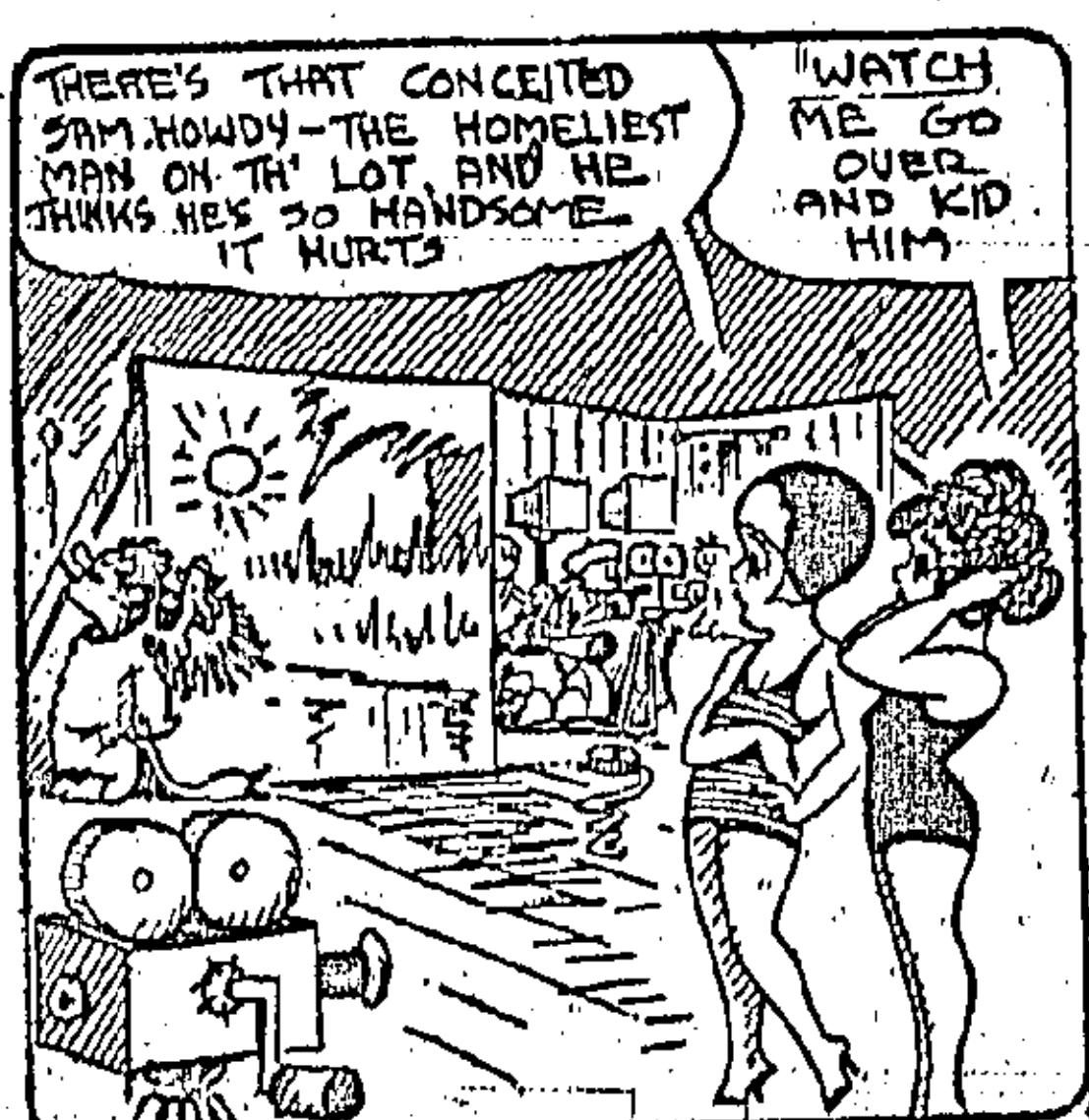
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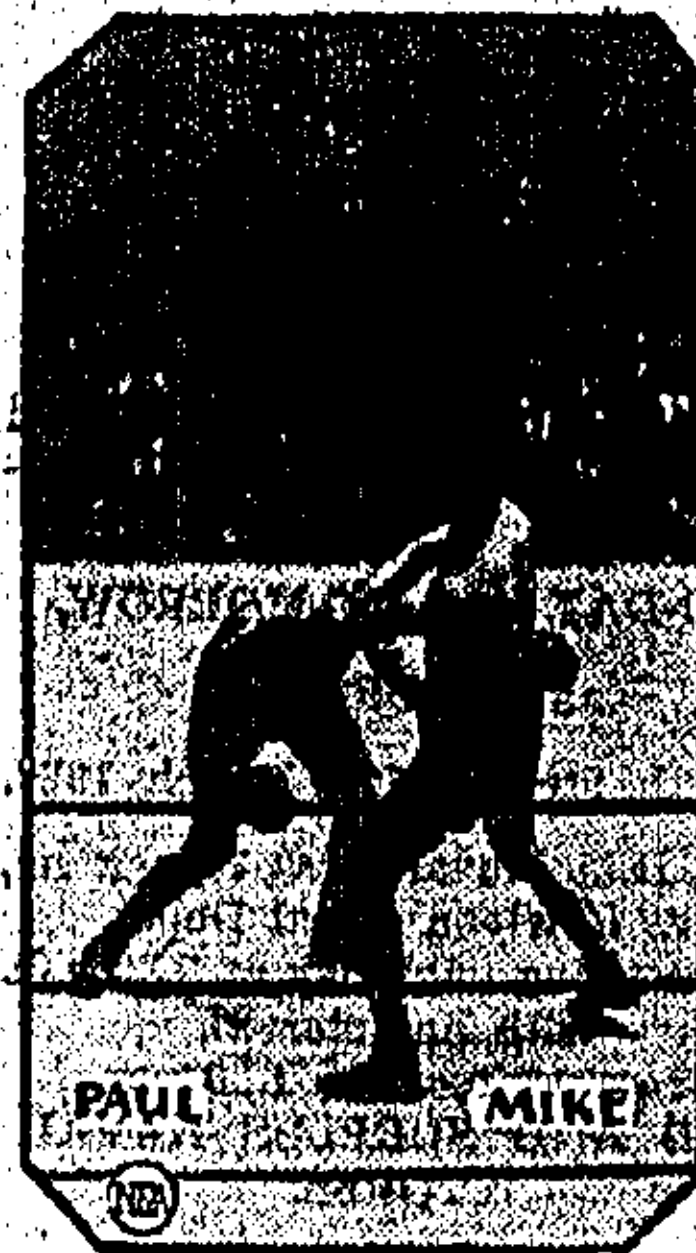
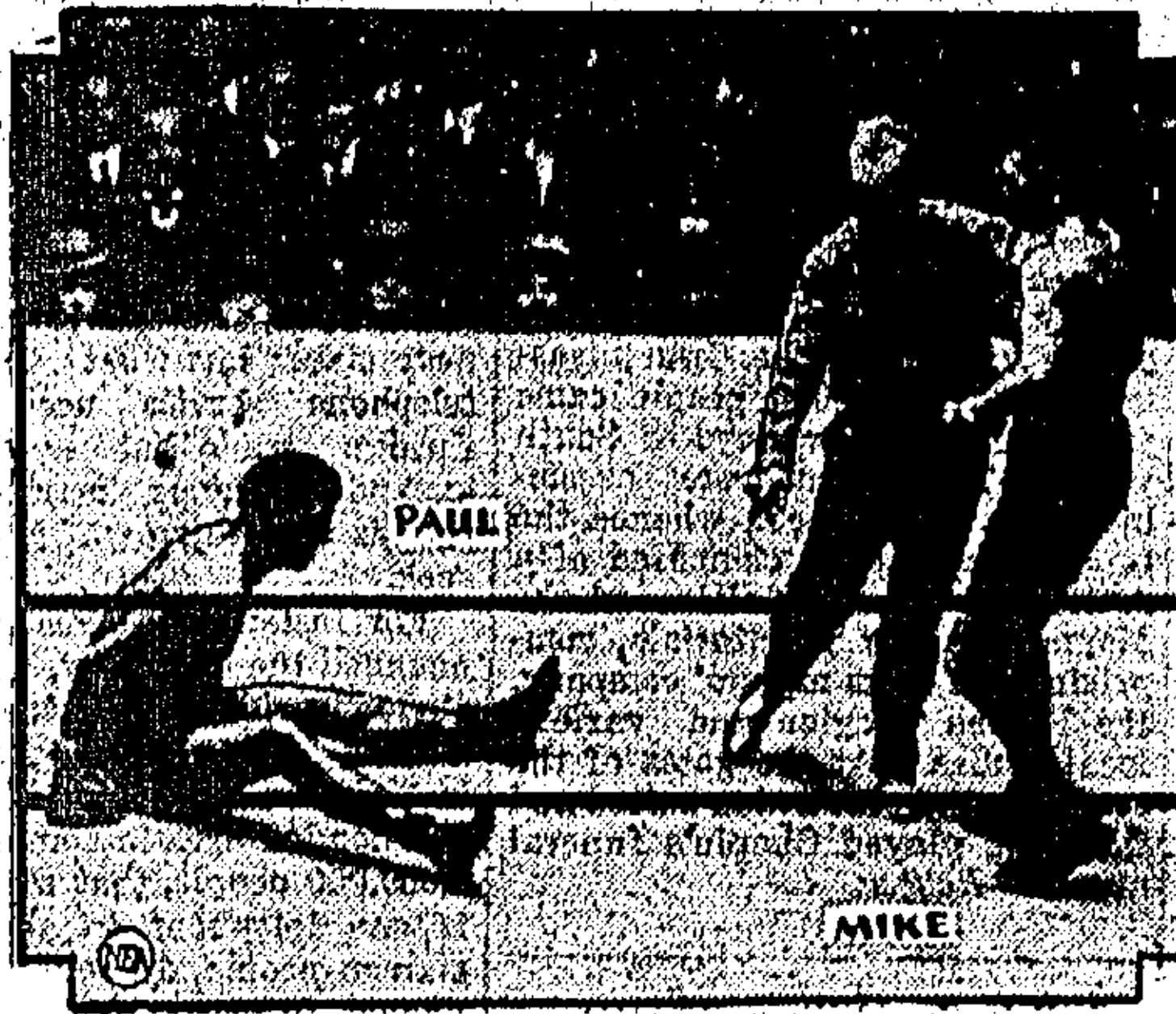
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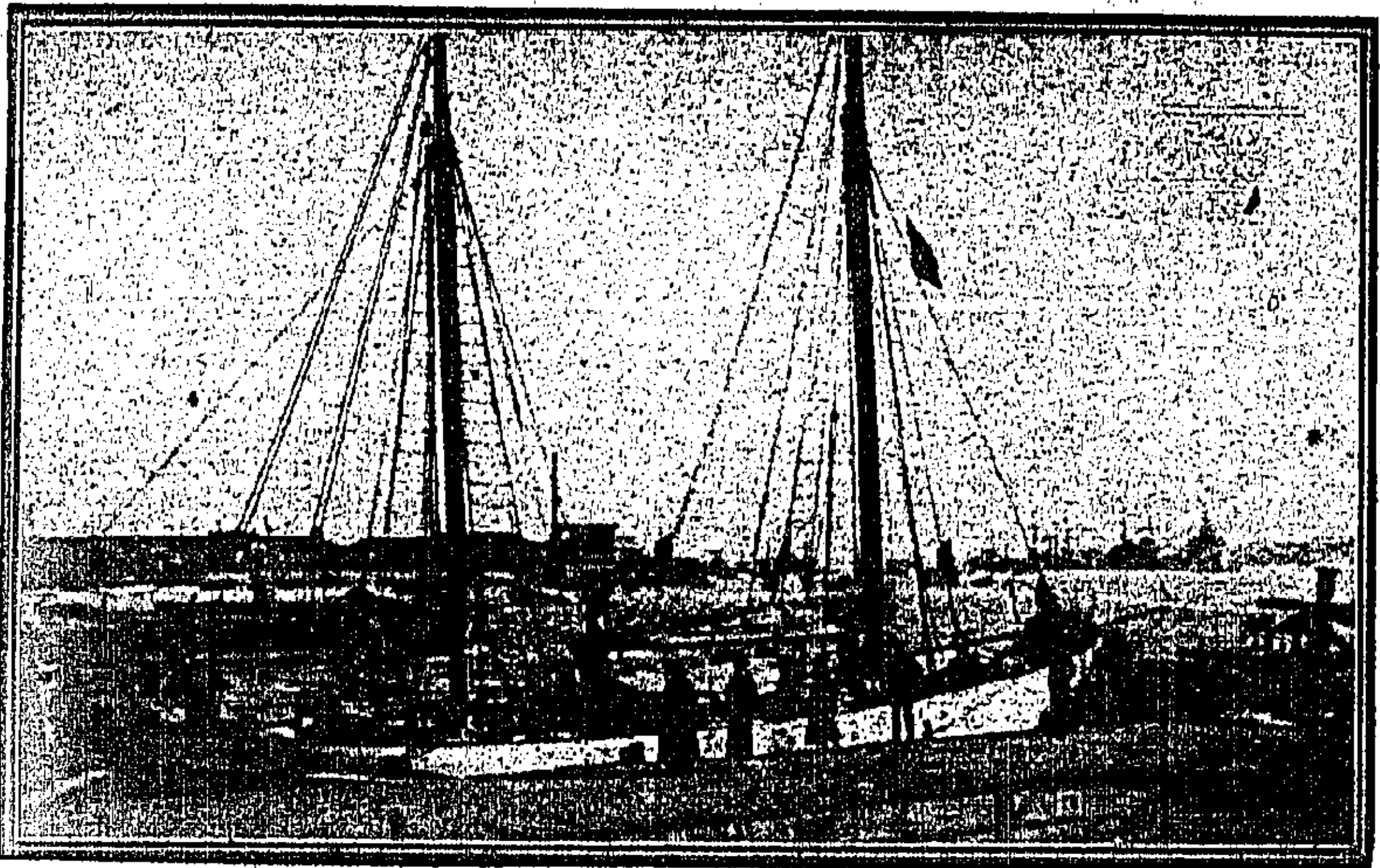


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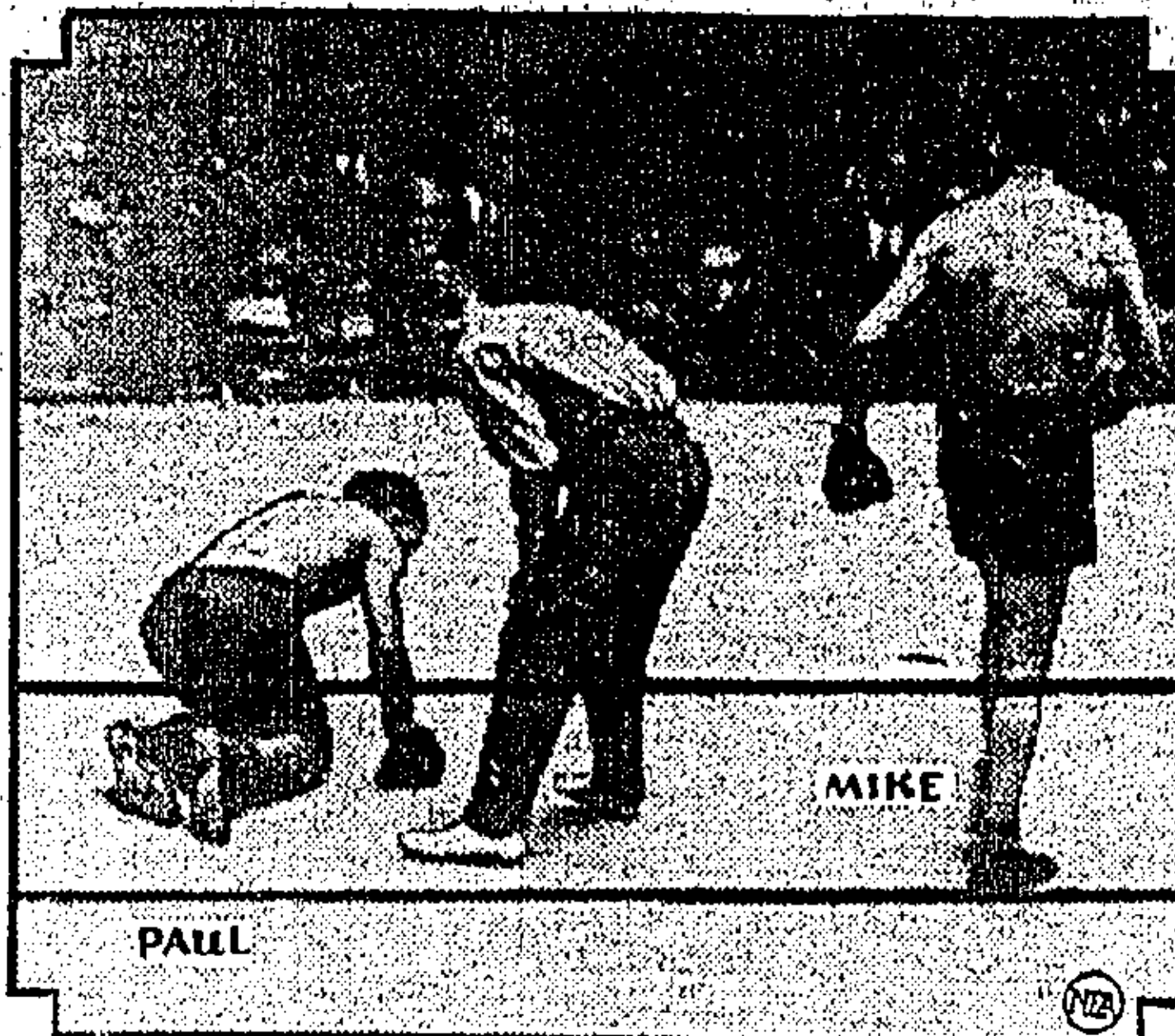




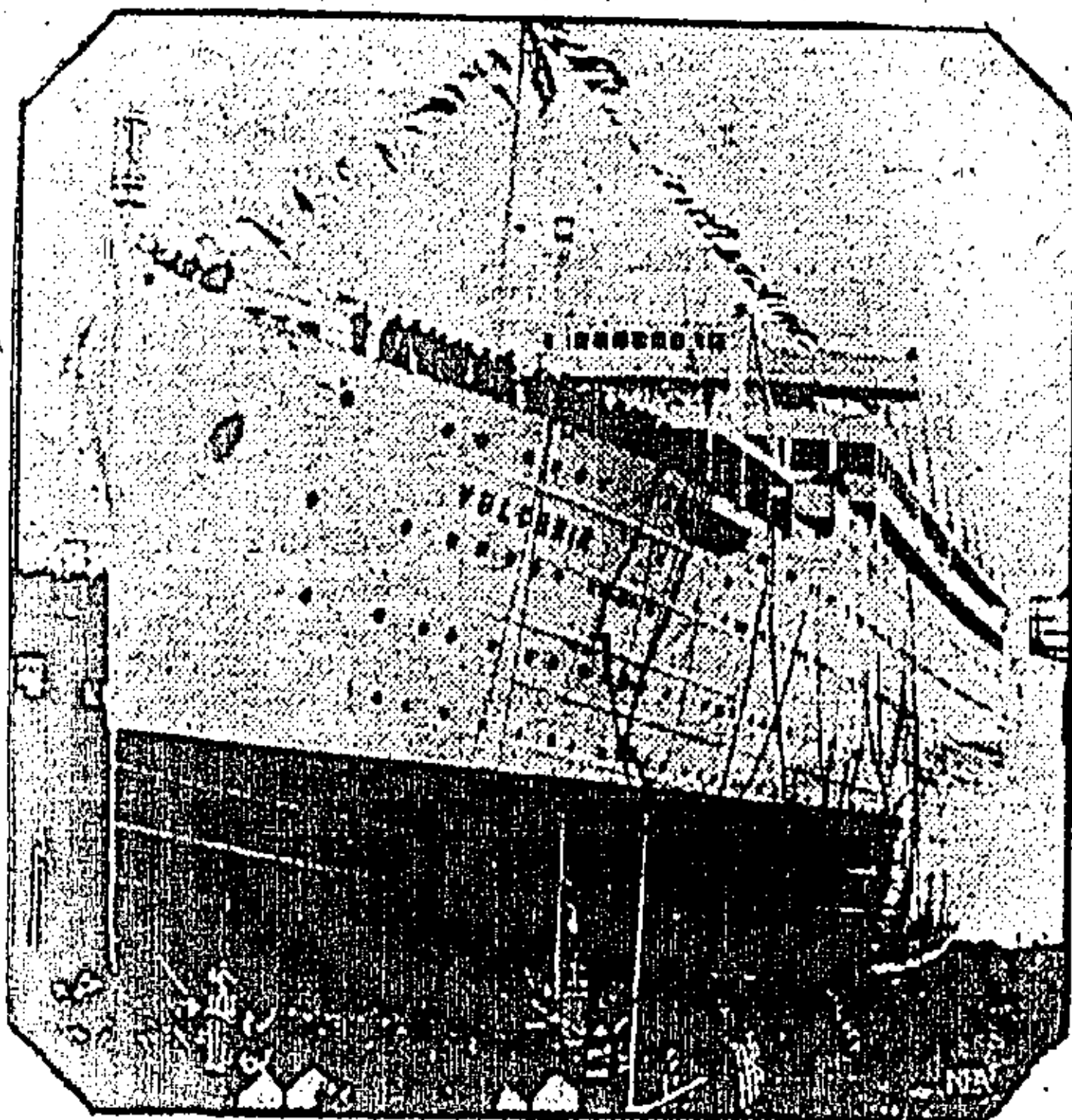
SENSATIONAL BOXING MATCH.—The above four pictures were taken at the sensational fight between Mike McTigue and Paul Berlenbach, in which the former defeated Berlenbach in the fourth round. At right, Berlenbach is seen unable to rise in the fourth round. The other four pictures speak for themselves, when it is remembered that Mike McTigue outfought his opponent all through.



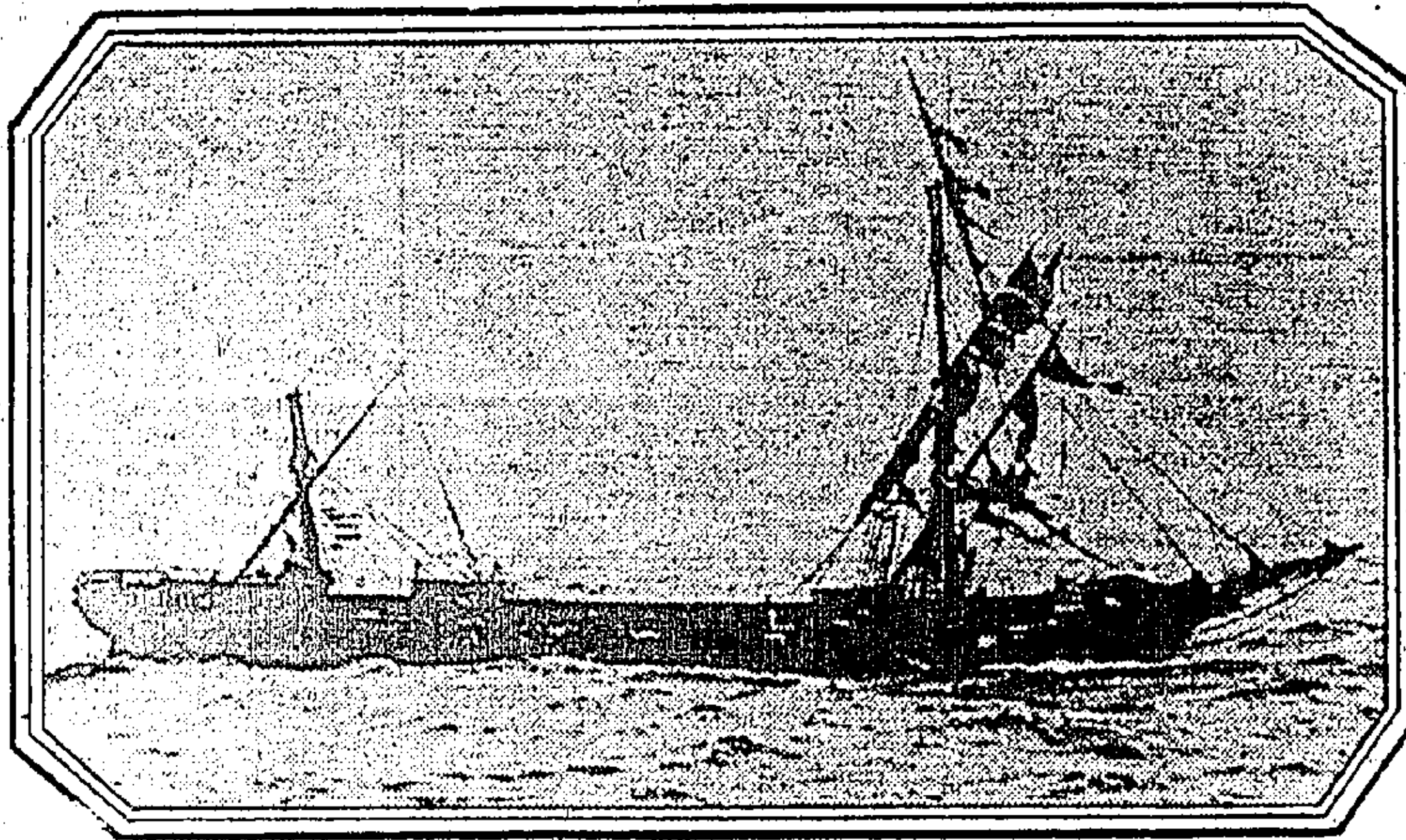
SAILING ROUND THE WORLD.—The yacht Hamburg, on a trip round the world, tied up at the Peking Road Jetty Shanghai, recently, where she attracted much attention.



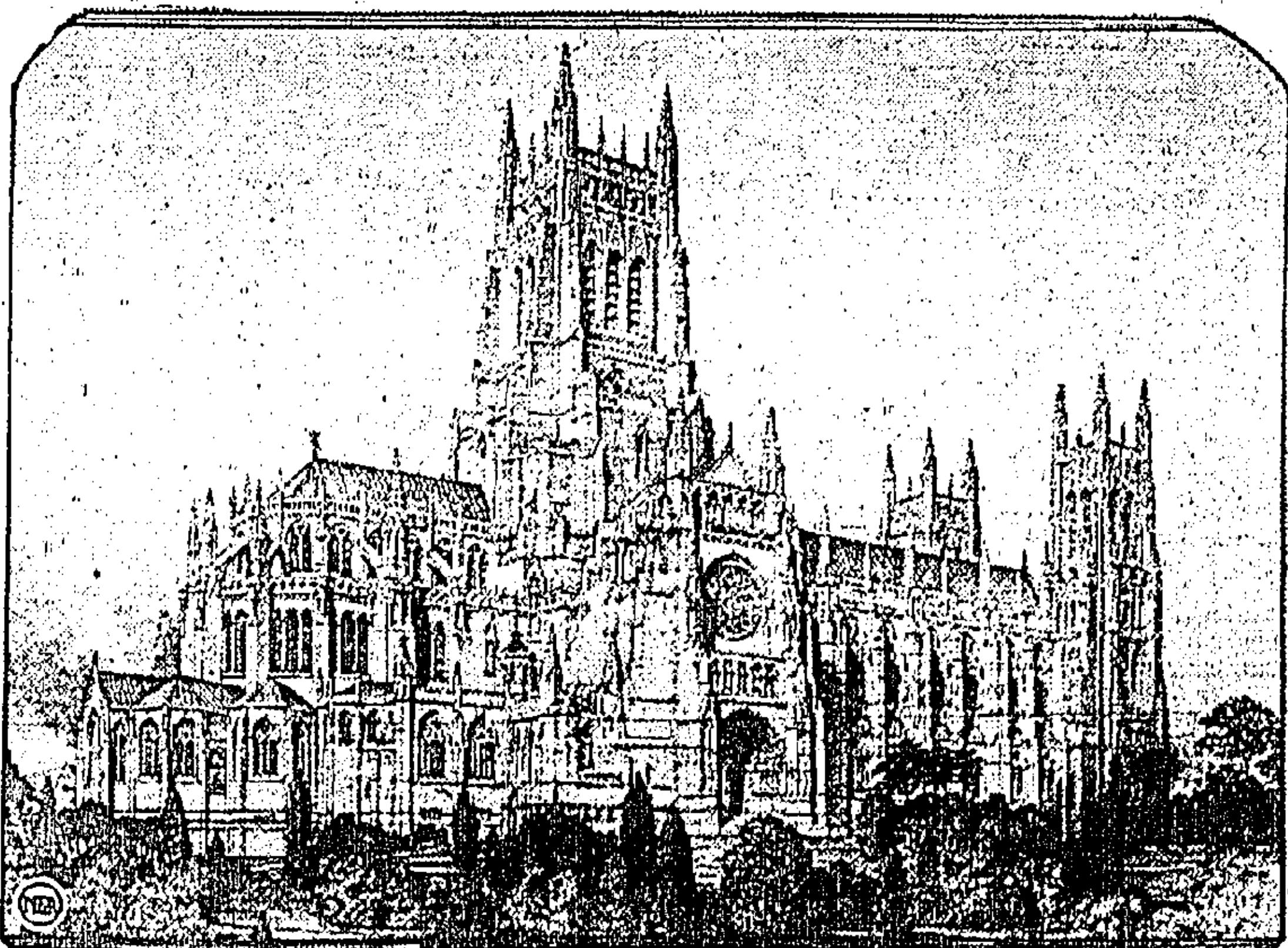
NEARLY OUT.—Berlenbach went down for a count of eight in the third round. It was in the next that he failed to stay.



WORLD'S LARGEST MOTORSHIP.—An addition to Italy's proud merchant fleet—the Vulcania, of the Cosulich Line, the world's largest motorship, just as she started down the ways at Monfalcone. Princess Maria of Savoy, youngest daughter of the royal household, christened the Vulcania.



IN DISTRESS.—Help proffered in mid-Atlantic by the s. s. Roma was refused by the captain and crew of this hulk, which before encountering a series of unparalleled storms, had been the Scandinavian barquentine Skolgram. An S. O. S. call summoned the Roma, from whose decks this picture was made. But when the steamer came alongside, the Skolgram's captain said that neither he nor any of his men wished to be taken off, merely requesting that their plight be reported.



TOWER INSTEAD OF SPIRE.—Structural obstacles have brought a Gothic tower which will rise 400 feet above the ground in place of the great central spire originally planned for the Cathedral of St. John the Divine of New York. This is the modified perspective of the edifice prepared by the architect—Dr. Ralph Adams Cram, of Boston.



HUGE INCUBATOR.—Cotton prices didn't pay a profit so the Radley farm, near Mexia, Texas, began raising chickens. This huge incubator on the farm can accommodate 47,000 chicks and eggs. Mrs. J. W. Radley is shown in the incubator.

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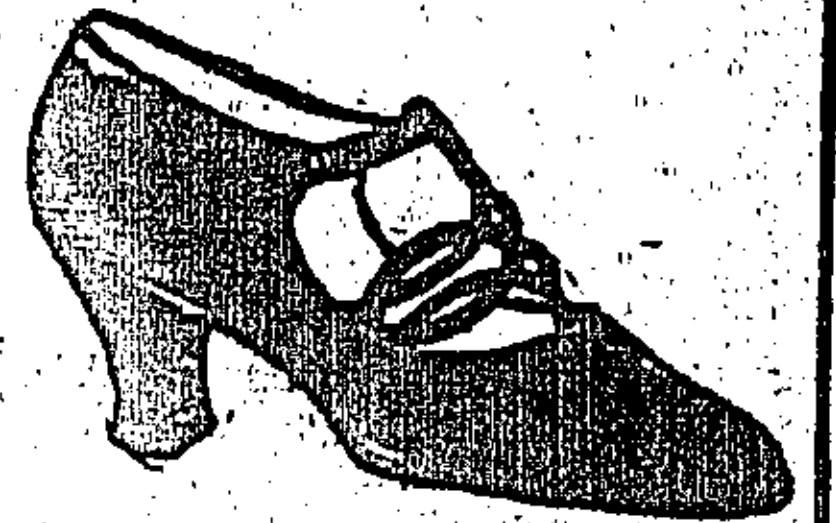
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HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering & Construction Company Limited, will be held in the Office of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March 1927, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1926, and of electing Directors and Auditors. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 17th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

S. COURTNEY COOK, Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1927.

FLOWER SHOW

at

VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS

on

Thursday, 10th March, 1927.

3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Sixteenth Ordinary Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 6, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, 1927, at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 8th March, 1927, to the 23rd March, 1927, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,

LOOK POONG SHAN, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1927.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

The undermentioned Certificates for Shares in this Company have been declared LOST and if at the expiration of ONE MONTH from the date hereof the documents are not forthcoming the said Certificates will be deemed CANCELLED and of no effect and new Certificates will be issued by the Company.

Certificate No. 1639—100 Shares. Nos. 58710/58809.

Certificate No. 2748—150 Shares. Nos. 149755/149905.

Certificate No. 58—83 Shares. Nos. 154006/154088.

All in the name of Mrs. Yeung Kwai Shim.

FOR THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th Feb, 1927.

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

TO-DAY and TO-MORROW,

the 8th, 9th and 10th March, 1927,

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also

Sale of Old and Surplus Vintaging Stores at Kowloon, on Thursday, 10th March,

comprising:—

Remnants of Cloth, Serge, Flannel, &c., Blankets, Boots, Sundry Articles of Mess and Table Gear, Condemned Provisions for Poultry and Cattle Feeding, &c.

Lots may be inspected on Monday, 7th March, 1927.

Terms of Sale:—As detailed in Catalogue.

LAMMERT BROS.

By Appointment, Auctioneers to the Admiralty.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1927.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from the Registrar, Supreme Court to sell by Public Auction,

on SATURDAY,

12th March, 1927,

commencing at 11 a.m. at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

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comprising:—

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SHARE PRICES.

TODAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

Banks

Hongkong Bank, \$1,060 b.

Chartered Bank, \$21 n.

Morantillo A. & B., \$32 n.

Morantillo C., \$153 n.

P. and O., \$97 b.

East Asia, \$74 s.

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins., \$660 b.

China Underwriters, \$80 b.

North China, \$145 n.

Union Ins., \$235 b.

Yankee Ins., \$38 b.

Fire Ins.

China Fire, \$200 b.

Hongkong Fire, \$615 b.

Shipping

Douglas, \$311 n.

Steamboats, \$23 s.

Tugs, \$110 n.

Indo-China, (Prof.) \$30 s.

Shell Trans., \$8/- n.

Star-Forries, \$551 b.

Waterboats, \$14 s.

Refineries

China Sugars, \$22 s.

Malabons, \$34 n.

Mining

Benguets, \$130 n.

Kallans, \$8/- n.

Langkats, \$14 n.

S'hai Exploration, \$4.50 n.

Shanghai Loans, \$14 n.

Raubs, \$4 s.

Tronohs, \$21/- b.

Ural Caspian, \$8/- n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$106 s.

Whampoa Docks, \$40 n.

Hongkows, \$150 n.

New Engineering, \$15 b.

Shanghai Docks, \$102 b.

Land, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$7.90 s.

H.K. Lands, \$56 n.

Realty, \$57 b.

Territories, \$21 b.

Humphreys, \$121 b.

Princes Bldgs, \$39 n.

Rural Lands, \$11 s.

Cottons

Ewos Cottons, \$18.40 s.

Oriental, \$12 n.

S'hai Cottons, \$14 n.

Buses, Trams

China Buses, \$11.94 b.

Davits, \$21 b. X. Div.

Peak Trams, (old) \$151 b.

S'pore Tractions, \$13/- s.

Taxis, \$1 s.

Miscellaneous

Amusements, \$18.60 b.

Canton Leas, \$5 n.

Cements (Comb.), \$7 b.

China Lights, \$141 n.

China Prov., \$4.50 s.

Constructions, \$2.30 b.

Dairy Farms, \$17 s.

Der A. Wing, \$6 n.

H'kong Electric, \$55.5 X. Div.

Macao Electric, \$35 n.

Ropes (Old), \$10 s.

Lano Crawford, \$8 n.

Mackintosh, \$191 n.

Sincoros, \$81 s.

United Asbestos, \$20 n.

Watsons, \$121 sa.

Powells, \$61 n.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Fifty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Monday, the 28th March, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1926.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 14th to the 28th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 7th March, 1927.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 28th instant or they will not be recognized.

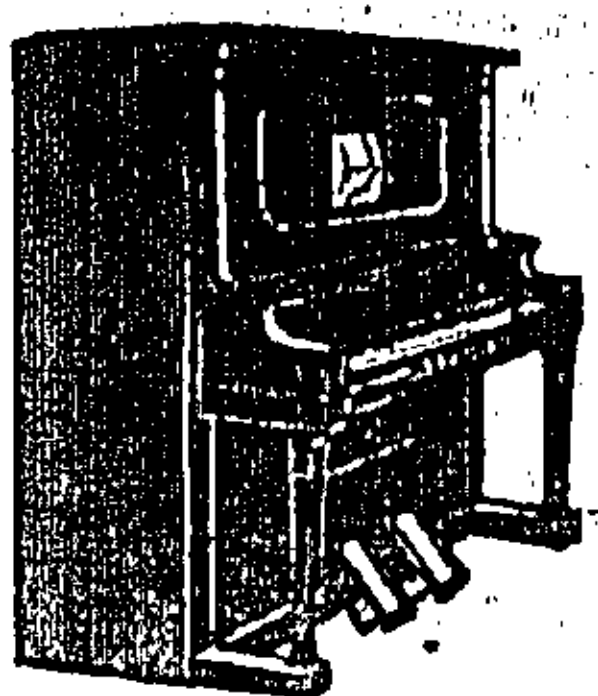
All broken, chipped, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th instant at 10 a.m.

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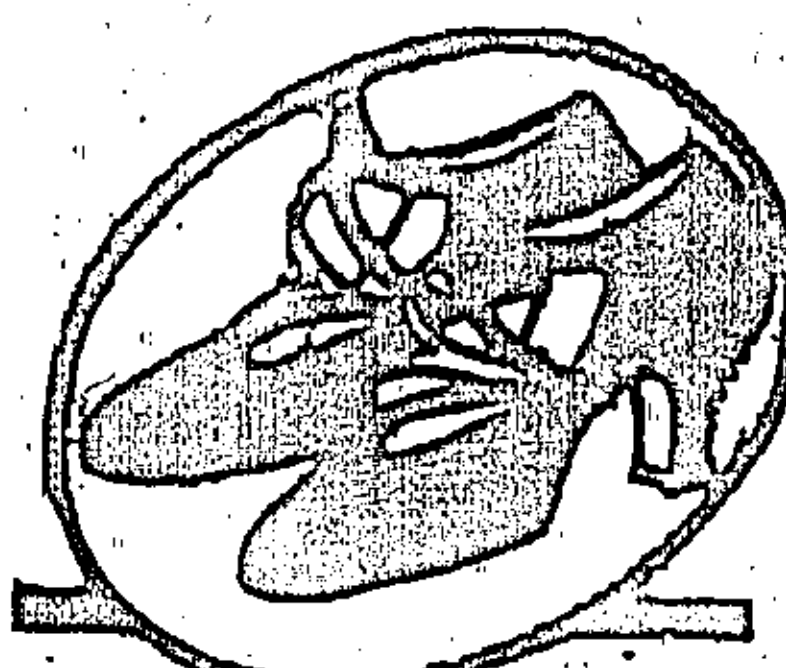
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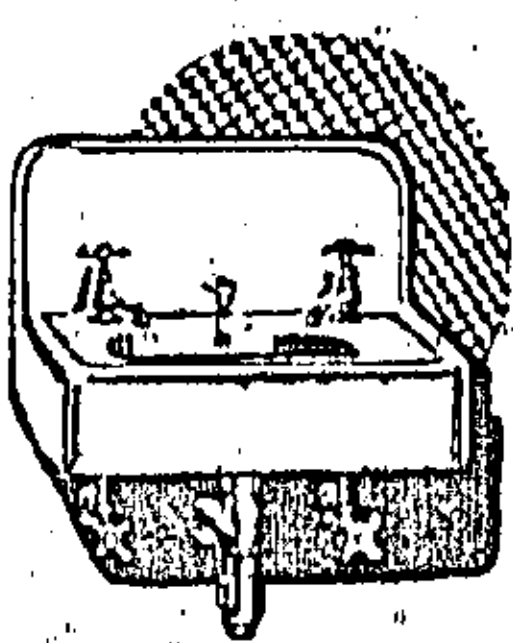
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PRESENTATION.

CHINESE MERCHANTS
HONOUR MR. A. H. BARLOW.

At the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank yesterday afternoon, Mr. A. H. Barlow, the departing manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, was presented with a magnificent cup by the Chinese Merchants and Hongs of the Colony as a token of their appreciation of his friendship and worth.

Sir Robert Ho Tung presided and among those present were the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Hon. Dr. Kotewall, Messrs. Ho Kom-tong, Lo Cheung Shu, M. K. Lo, Li Pok-wei, Chan Tin-son, Ho Wing, Chun Nim-pak, Ho Kwong, Ho Leung, Ho Lu, Lam Kwai-sang (Chairman of the Gold and Silver Exchange Association), Yung Chi-ming, Fung Heung-chuen, Edward Ho Tung, Yuen Woon-lu, Lo Woon-choa (Secretary of the 24 Trades Guild) Ho Ki, the native bankers, rice and sugar merchants and representatives of the Nam Pak Hongs.

The cup was a splendid silver piece, over three feet high, patterned on the Imperial design of the Chow Dynasty, with tripod stand and dragon handles, mounted on an ebony base.

In making the presentation, Sir Robert Ho Tung said:

"Mr. Barlow—On behalf of the Chinese merchants, bankers and residents whose names will be engraved on this silver drinking cup, I have much pleasure in asking you to accept this Souvenir on the occasion of your approaching departure on home leave, as a token of their regard and good wishes."

"To be chosen as the spokesman of such representative Chinese gentlemen under such happy circumstances is indeed a high compliment to myself, and, to me, the pleasure of making this presentation is incomparably enhanced by my practically life-long association with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and, if I may say so, Sir, by my long and intimate friendship with you personally."

"Knowing your dislike of speeches in general—certainly of making them, and probably of listening to them as well—I propose to say very little more."

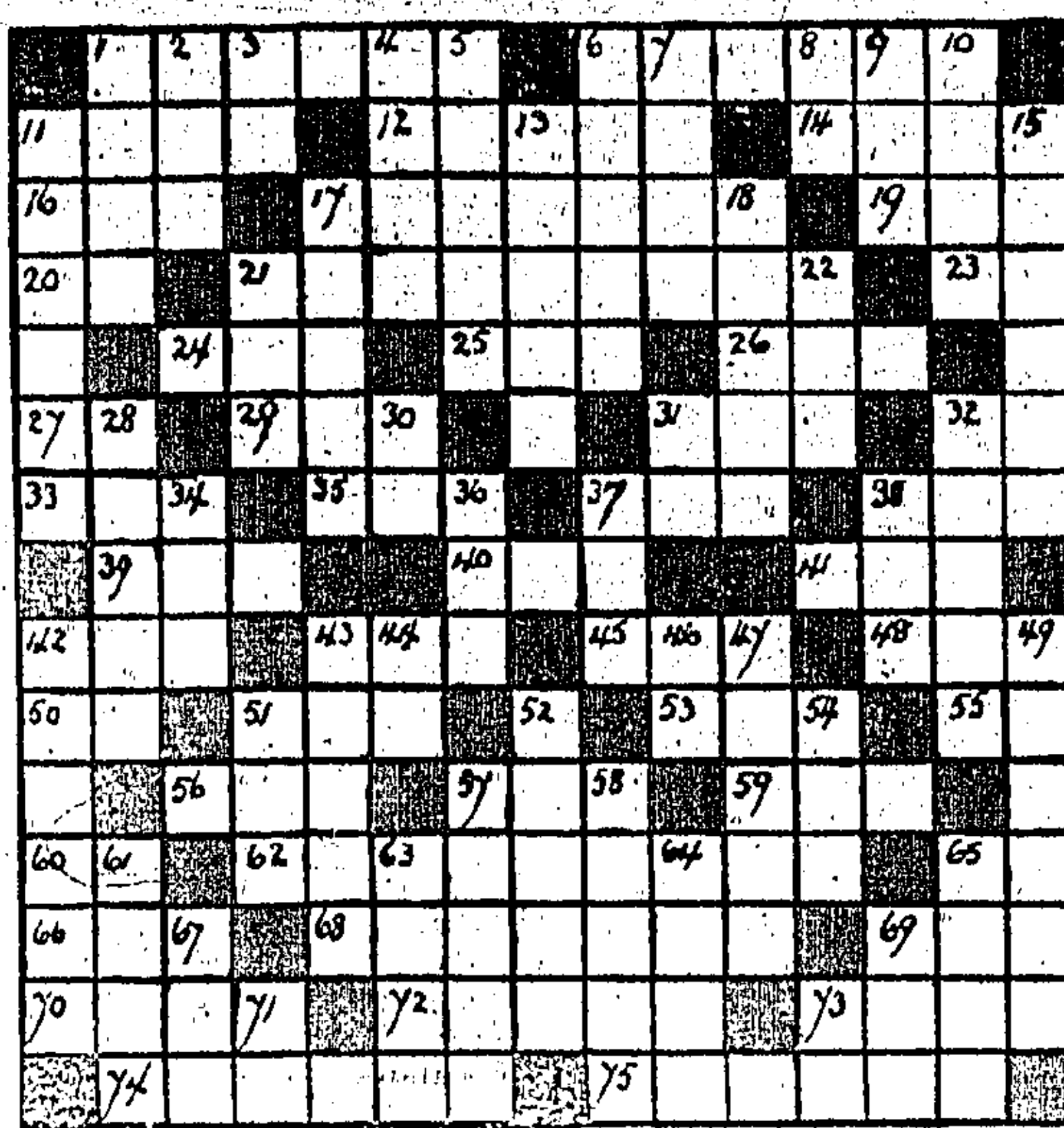
"Gentlemen, it is unnecessary for me to say anything about the unrivaled position of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation as the premier Bank in the Far East. We are all proud of this wonderful Institution whose financial prestige and strength increases as the years go by, in spite of any adverse influence of political upheaval or trade depression. But it is obvious that it could not for ever maintain such a fine record unless it were fortunate in the selection of those who are charged with the heavy responsibility of looking after its destiny. (Applause.)"

"That the Bank was, in this respect, singularly fortunate in the past, is shown by such names as Sir Thomas Jackson, Sir Newton Stubb and Mr. Stephen. And I venture to say that in having you, Sir, as its present Head, the continuity of the Bank's 'good loss' is maintained. (Applause.)"

"For conscientiousness and sheer devotion to duty, none of your predecessors could possibly have surpassed you. Your genius for taking pains, your indefatigableness, must be a source of inspiration to your subordinates, as your habitually early arrival at the Bank must at times be rather an embarrassing example to them. (Applause and laughter.)"

"We all hope that you and Mrs. Barlow will have a pleasant voyage, a happy reunion with your homefolks in England and a safe return to Hongkong, where we hope better times await us all. We also hope that trade and commerce may flourish for the mutual benefit of the great Bank under your management and its Chinese clients, who look confidently to you for the continuance of that measure of co-operation without which the prosperity of Hongkong

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.

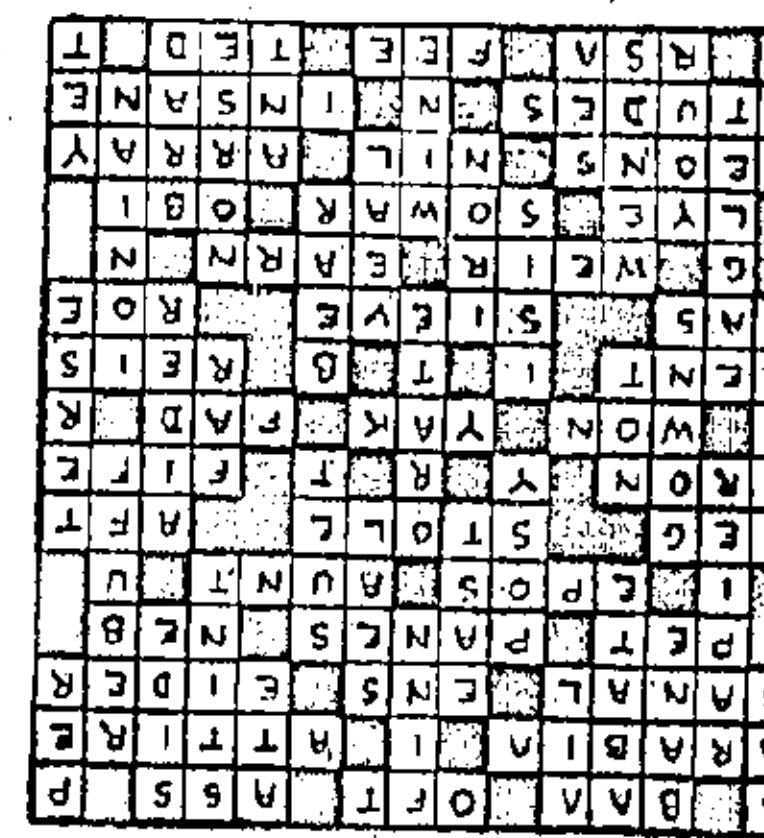


Across.
1 Destroyed.
6 Wet places.
11 Lacerated.
12 Repair with pieces.
14 Gather.
16 Moved quickly.
17 Partics.
19 Period of time.
20 Part of verb "to be."
21 One who dissents.
23 Correlative of either.
24 Suitable.
25 In addition.
26 Electrical element.
27 Inlet by the sea.
29 Cave.
31 Conjunction.
32 Perform.
33 Arid.
35 Piece of turf.
37 Number.
38 Eagle.
39 Fish.
40 Atmosphere.
41 Beverage.
42 It is.
43 Part of body.
45 Sheep.
48 Floor covering.
50 I.
51 Exist.
53 Measure.
55 Mother.
56 Employ.
57 Perceived.
59 Trouble.
60 Depart.
62 Body of pastors.
65 Close to.
66 Before.
68 Barren.
69 Colour.
70 Protect.
72 Wrong.
73 Hollows in earth.
74 Animals allied to monkeys.
75 Table fruit.

Down.
1 Wander.
2 Hollow vessel.
3 Within.
4 Epic poem.
5 Flower.
6 Perfume.
7 To edge.
8 Mister.

9 Flower.
10 Soft food.
11 Exchanged.
13 Perennial plants.
15 External stair.
17 Situations.
18 French river.
21 Transacted.
22 Wand.
28 Spur of a mountain.
30 Negative.
31 Indefinite article.
32 Think idly.
34 Even so.
36 Female parent.
37 Raw metal.
38 Tree.
42 Idols.
43 Open surfaces.
44 In the matter of.
46 You and I.
47 Exalt.
49 Tests by the tongue.
51 Serpent.
52 New Zealand native.
54 Rest lengthwise.
57 Principal bodies of trees.
58 Part of the arm.
61 Spoken.
62 Celestial body.
64 In like manner.
65 Automobile.
67 First woman.
69 Strike.
71 Printers measures.
73 Father.

Yesterday's Puzzle.



cannot be so well assured." (Applause.)

In reply Mr. Barlow amusingly referred to his own shortcomings as a speechmaker, and continued that he had but done his duty to the best of his ability in the management, in which he had always had the excellent co-operation of the Bank's Chinese clients. He thanked them all for the splendid gift and for their good wishes towards Mrs. Barlow and himself.

Mr. Barlow referred to the depression in trade which the Colony had passed through during the past two years and pointed out that statements which had been bandied about concerning the Bank's "imperialism" were untruthful. The Institution was not, nor ever had been, imperial in any sense and was non-political as it lived on the fostering of trade and good relations. He trusted that there would be a speedy return to happy times, with improved prosperity for all who were gathered there, and the Colony generally. The Colony deserved it and it was bound to

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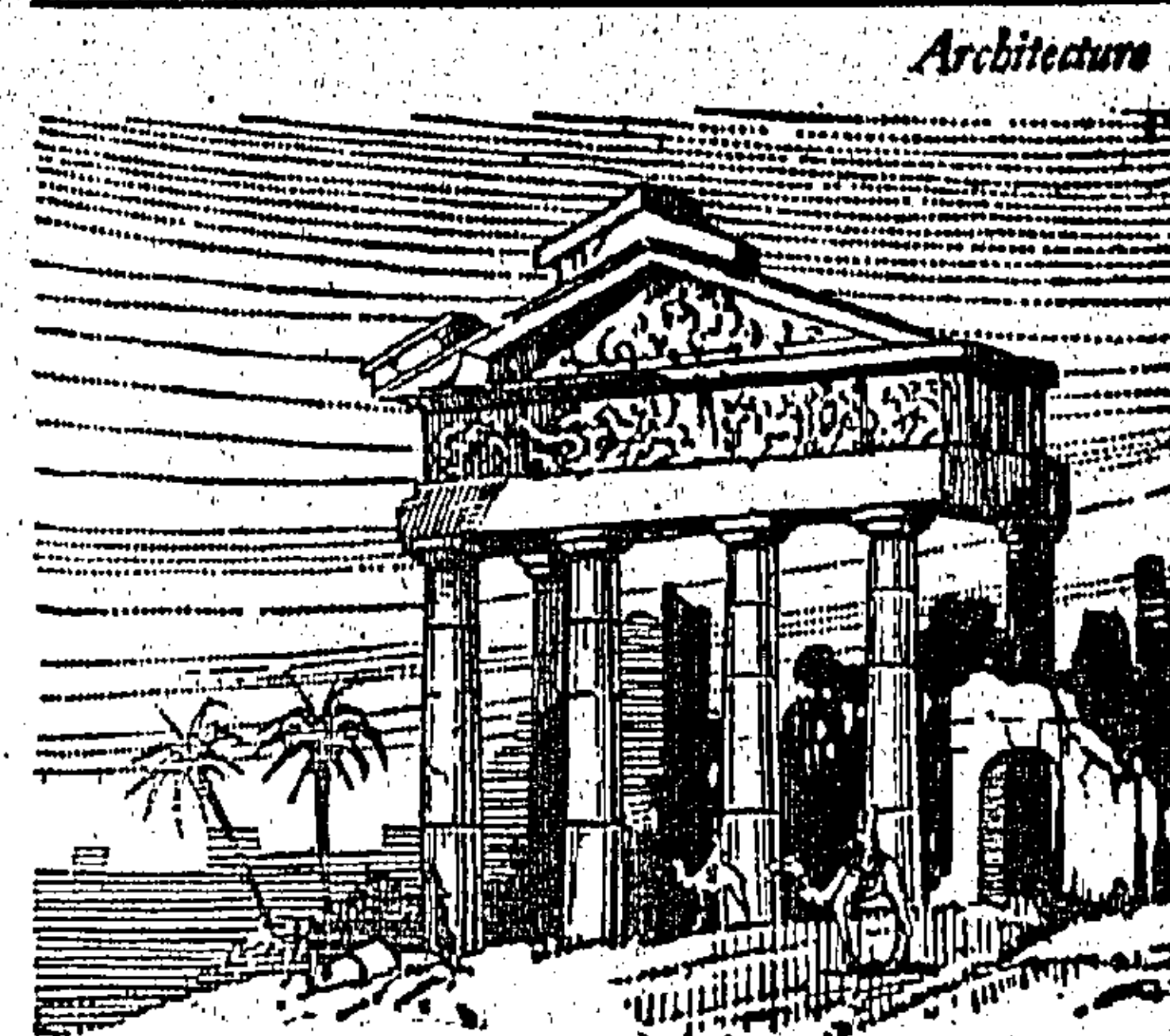
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Paris, March 7.
Reports from Reunion state that a cyclone swept the island seriously damaging crops in the north east. Hardly anything remains of the port and town.

At Tamatave, Madagascar, the steamer Saint Anne was lost and the Catinat foundered. The Duchesne is safe.—Reuter.

come. All present then joined in toasting the future success of the Bank.

Further toasts of long life, health and prosperity to Mr. and Mrs. Barlow were then proposed by Sir Shou-son Chow, and the Hon. Dr. Kotewall and the gathering closed with Mr. Barlow's toast to the excellence of future relation between the two nationalities, which was drunk to loud applause.



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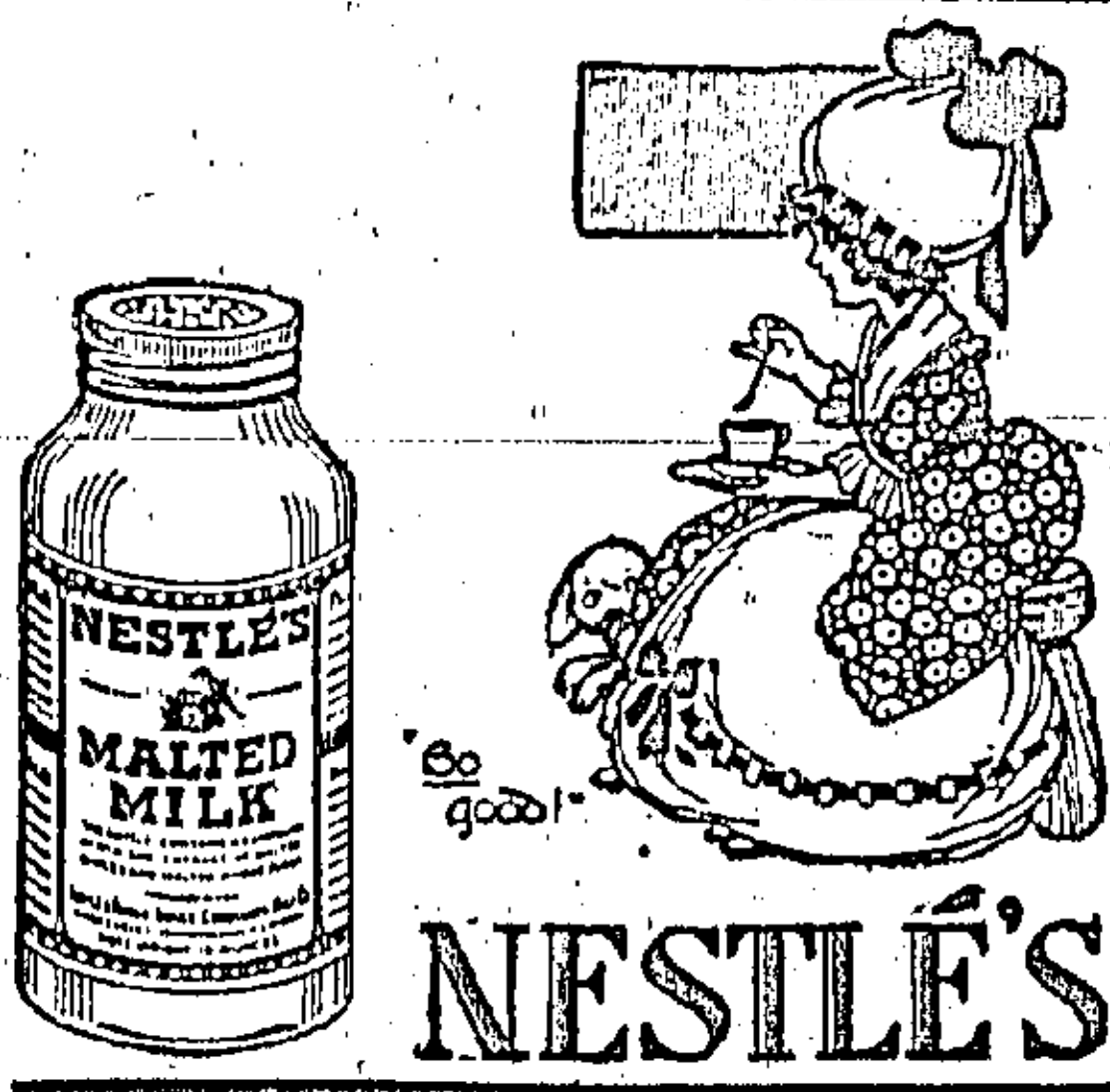
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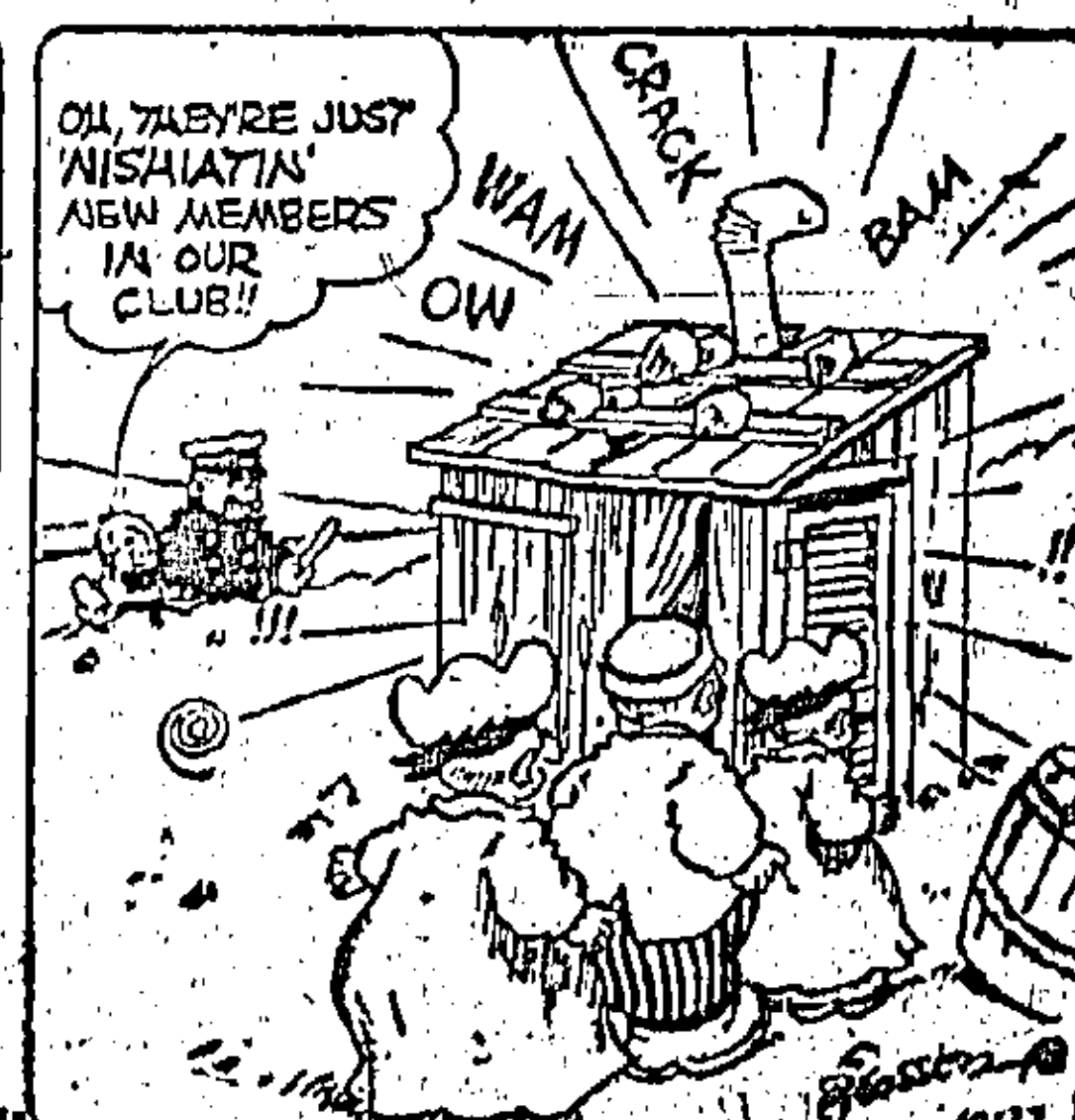
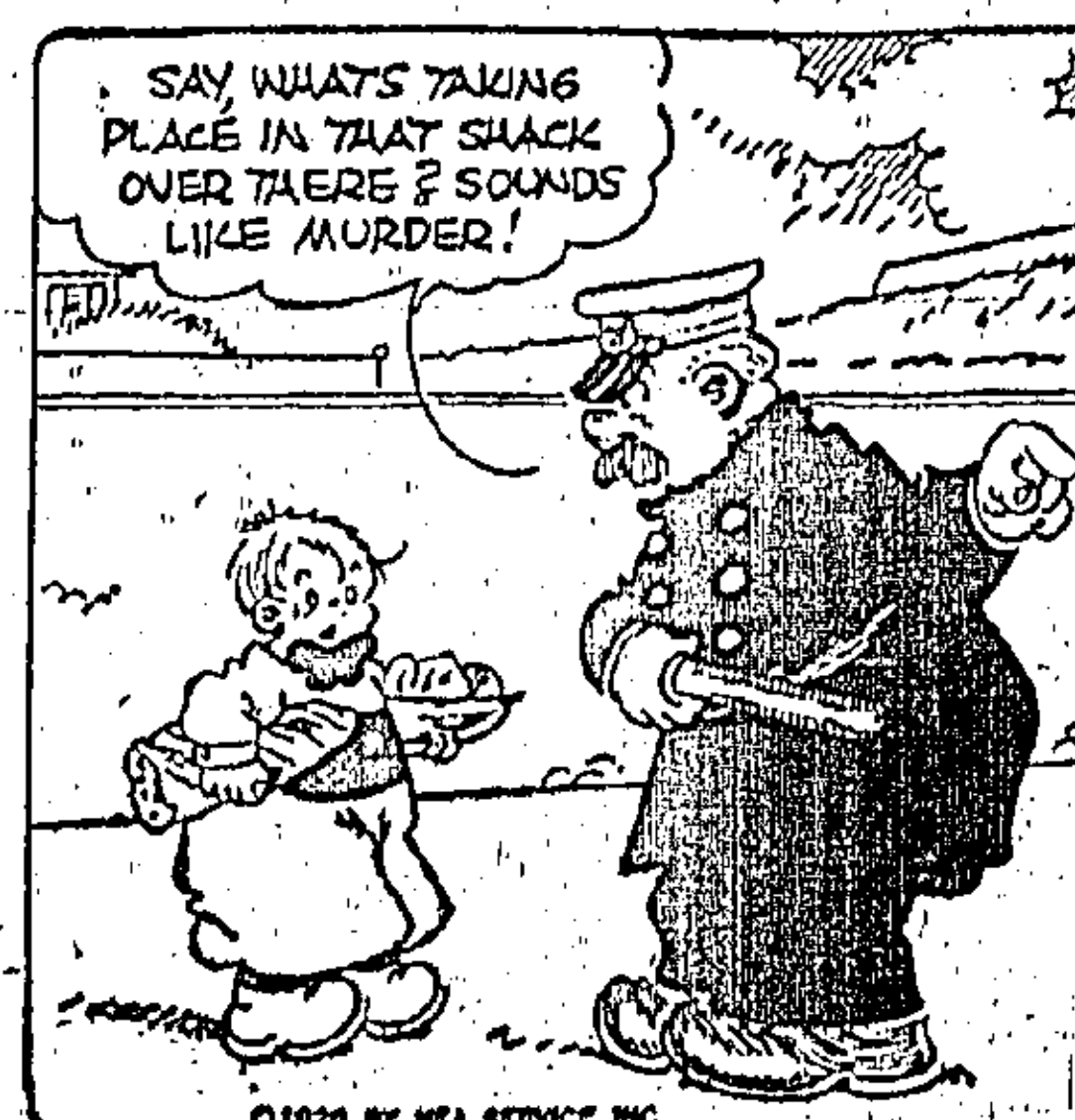
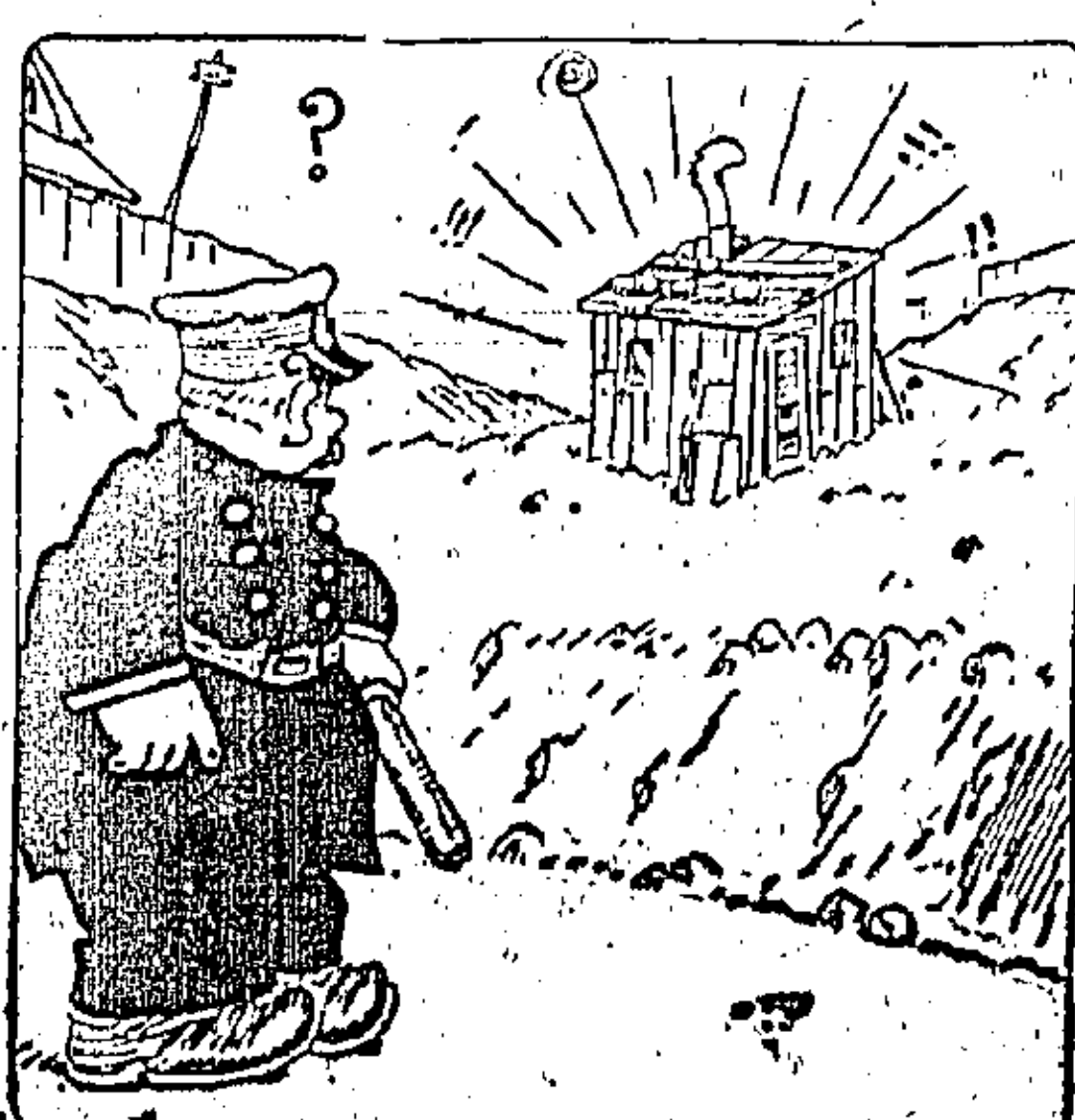
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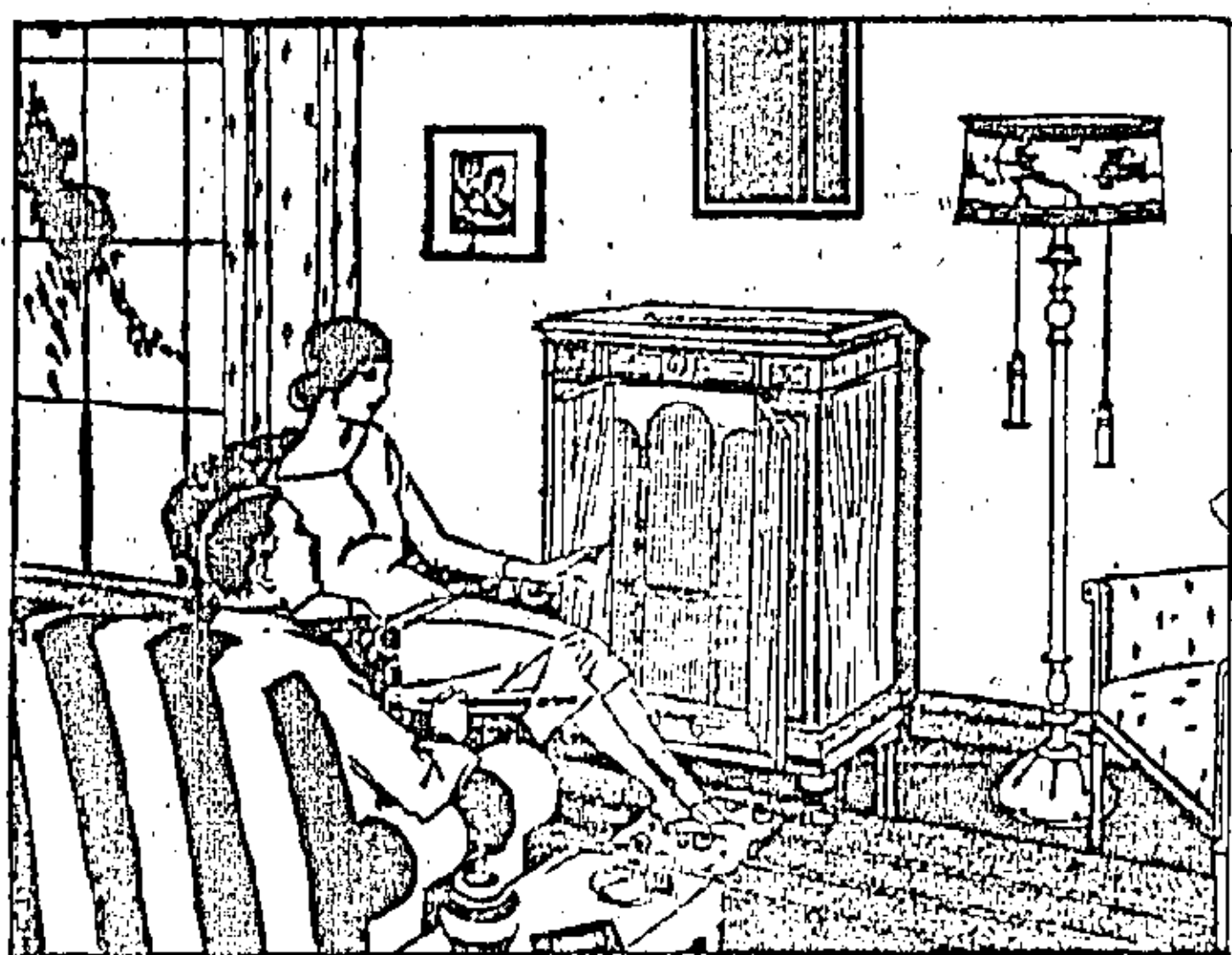
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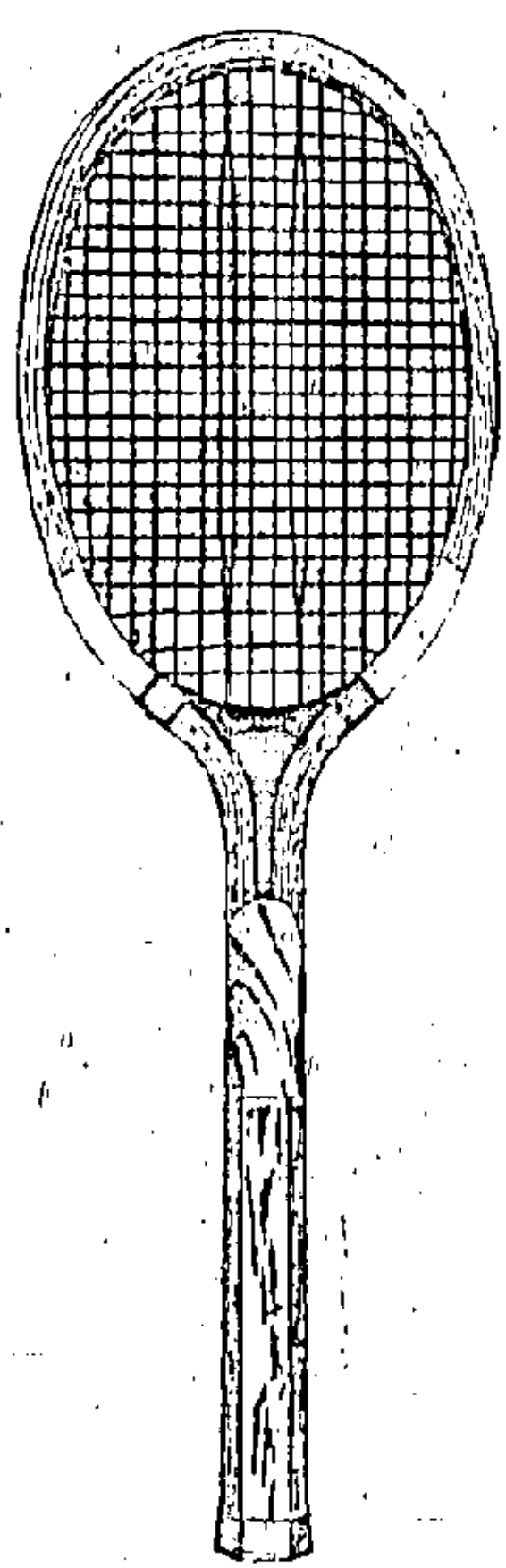
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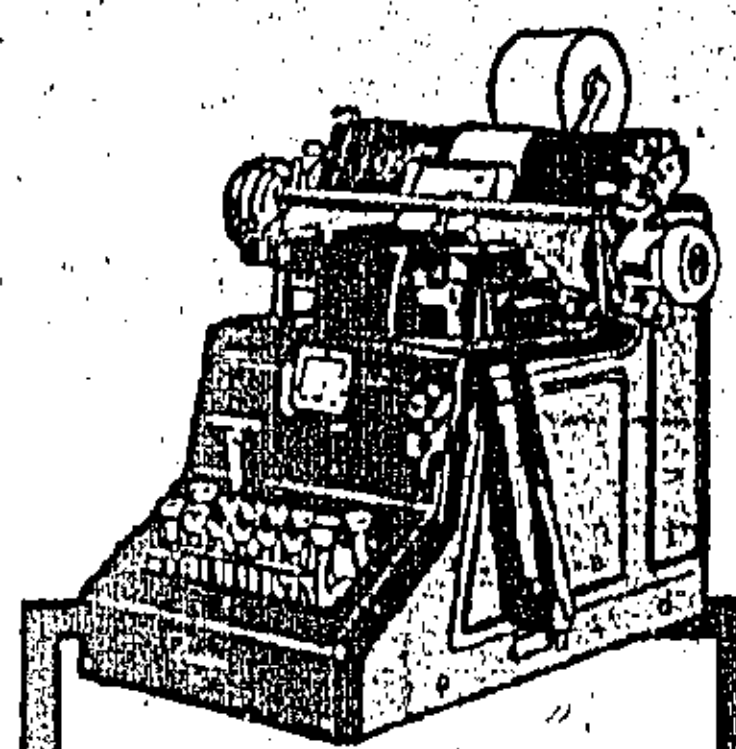


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The Hongkong Telegraph

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1927.

UNAPPRECIATED.

The Soviet journal *Investia*, which recently came in for condemnation in the British Note to Russia, is still busy trying to stir up enmity between Britain and China. In a recent issue, subsequent to the signing of the agreement in regard to the Hankow Concession, it accuses the British of continued hostility to the Nationalist movement, saying this is proved by the official declarations of British Ministers and Mr. O'Malley. What are these declarations? They are merely an intimation that Britain reserves the right to make agreements with Chinese authorities in the North, just as it has with the Nationalists at Hankow, and also to land troops at Shanghai as and when necessitated by circumstances. To cite those decisions as indicating hostility to the Nationalists is the height of absurdity. The fact which the *Investia* conveniently overlooks is that Britain has all along the line adhered to the policy of freedom of action regarding the two questions mentioned, and that Mr. Eugene Chen signed the agreement relating to Hankow well knowing that Britain took the stand indicated. It is true that the Nationalists first wanted Britain to consent not to negotiate with any other faction than themselves on Chinese affairs and that there was some delay in the signing of the agreement because it was hoped to secure a defection of the British troops on their way to Shanghai at the time. But when Mr. Eugene Chen saw that Britain was determined not to make concessions on these two issues, he soon appended his signature to the document. If the Nationalists did not like the British attitude, they had the option of not signing the agreement. Now that they have signed it, it is ridiculous for the *Investia* to point to British insistence on its considered policy as indicative of hostility to the Nationalist movement. In the face of similar demands from the Northerners, Britain would have taken precisely the same stand—a fact which is the surest indication of Britain's neutrality in the China crisis.

It would seem that, no matter what Britain does, she is singled out for especial opprobrium by the Nationalists and their supporters. The liberality of the terms of the Hankow agreement and the even greater liberality of the understanding reached regarding Kiukiang, would appear to count for nothing with these people. One would have thought that the nature of these agreements would have been sufficient to show that Britain was in real earnest in her professions of friendship for the Chinese people. Yet we find the anti-British propaganda still being persisted in. Other foreign nations have been profuse in their expressions of goodwill towards the Chinese, but has any single one of them made any really tangible gesture of friendship? In the Hankow and Kiukiang agreements, Britain has gone to great lengths to show that she means what she says. Some will even say that in the matter of Kiukiang she has been altogether too magnanimous. Be that as it may, no-one can say that Britain has done nothing. She might, with every justification in view of the present state of affairs, have intimated that she intended taking no steps in the direction of modifying or surrendering Treaty rights until some Government really representative of China had arisen. But by agreeing to negotiate with and make concessions to regional authorities, she has shown that she is prepared to do her part without waiting on events. The pity of it is that, these things notwithstanding, Britain still remains the target for much unjustifiable abuse and calumny.

Britain's Air Estimates.

Although affecting economies which amount to over £15,000, the estimates for the Air Ministry, which have just been published, provide for an increase in the number of flights—a feature of the estimates which will give the utmost satisfaction. It would have been easily understandable if the estimated cost of Britain's air arm for next year had been in excess of the cost for the present year, for it is in regard to provision for defence by air and against air attacks that Britain is, in the opinion of many experts, under-equipped as compared with some of her near-by neighbours. At the present time, Britain is maintaining 63 squadrons, of which 50 are on a regular basis, and as regards the forthcoming year it is expected that certain of the squadrons in Iraq will be reduced and that more will be required to man the Admiralty's new aircraft carriers, the net result of these changes being that the country's air force will be increased by six squadrons. There is, however, a slightly less personnel being budgeted for. There is nothing but approval to be given for a policy of economy in a general way, but there will be not a few who will regret that the country's spendings under the heading of air services is on the downward grade, because it is felt that Britain's position in the air ought to be maintained at a very high level. There is no doubt that the standard of British machines and engines and the skill and daring of British aviators stands higher in the world than most other countries, and especially during the past year have Britishers had just cause to be proud of their fellow-countrymen's exploits. There should be no room to doubt the adequacy of Britain's air force provision. Of especial interest to Hongkong was the statement that long-distance flights with flying boats are being planned with the object of developing a service air route between India and the Far East and that possibly a self-contained unit will be established in Far Eastern waters. This possibly affects Singapore much more closely than Hongkong, but it brings us very well within reach of practicable long-distance air travel.

Mr. J. R. George has taken over charge of the Hongkong branch of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China from Mr. A. H. Ferguson, who is proceeding home on leave.

DAY BY DAY.

ASK A FAVOUR OF AN ENEMY AND YOU MAY POSSIBLY MAKE A FRIEND; ASK A FAVOUR OF A FRIEND AND YOU WILL PROBABLY MAKE AN ENEMY. —Marmaduke.

The Empress of Russia, which left Hongkong on the 16th February, arrived at Vancouver on the 6th instant.

The weather forecast up till noon to-morrow, issued by the Observatory, is: "Light, variable winds; generally overcast."

There was admitted into the Government Civil Hospital yesterday a Chinese who attempted to take his life by drinking ammonia. The man's condition is serious.

The annual Rifle Meeting of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps is to take place at Stonecutters on April 17th and 18th. Entries close at noon on April 4th.

From Yaumati a report has been received to the effect that two foks of a leather shop at Portland Street have disappeared after taking delivery of goods valued at \$470.

Miss Sybil Joseph, who recently figured in a summons at the Central Magistracy, was yesterday removed into the Kowloon Hospital with stab wounds in the chest. She refused to make any statement.

On Sunday last, the first Sunday in Lent, the Bishop of Victoria ordained as priest, in St. John's Cathedral, the Rev. James Fu. The preacher was the Rev. S. K. Y. Lee of St. Stephen's Church, Hongkong.

Mr. H. Torgesen has reported to the police the theft of money and property to the value of \$650, from his home at No. 308, Nathan Road, Kowloon. The theft synchronised with the disappearance of a servant boy, whose arrest is now sought under a police warrant.

Mrs. Liao Chung-kai who intended to return to Canton from the North this month, is unable to do so, owing to ill-health, and has telegraphed for an extension of leave for two months from the Provincial Government. Mrs. Liao is a Commissioner on the Executive Committee of the Government.

The following vessels are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day.—Sinking, Cherbon Maru, Katori Maru, Samarang Maru, Taiyui Maru, Kairyu Maru, Kitano Maru, Shantung, St. Albans, Haihong, Mausang, Helikon, Kweiyang, Liangchow, President Grant, President Lincoln, Glenapp and Sandviken.

Under the direction of Mr. Walter Sinclair, formerly of Hongkong, there was recently produced at the Hart House Theatre, Toronto, the Yorkshire comedy, "The Maradens," which proved a big success. From April 25th to 30th, "Twelfth Night," on the same lines as Mr. Sinclair produced it in Hongkong, will be put on at Hart House.

As the revenue of the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway is not sufficient to cover the expenses, the management held a meeting recently and decided that henceforth extra pay shall not be given to workers engaged in working in the evening and on Sundays. If extra pay is considered necessary, the chief of the department concerned must secure approval beforehand.

Over eighty trees in a plantation on the hillside at Kowloon were stated by Mr. J. L. King to have been raised by Chinese cutting away the bark. A woman who was seen damaging several trees yesterday was arrested by a forest guard and on appearing before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning she was fined \$50, with the alternative of four weeks' imprisonment.

Mr. T. J. Clement, Consul-General of Belgium for South China, is appointed to Hankow, as the Belgian Consul there is leaving on furlough. Mr. Clement accompanied by Mr. Georges Belais Vice-Consul, who will assume the Consular function in Canton, pending the arrival of a new consul, were in Canton last Friday and visited the Foreign Ministry. Mr. Clement intends to leave Hongkong in a week's time after the adjustment of minor questions.

BRIBERY CHARGE.

CHINESE COMMITTED TO TRIAL.

A Chinese named Wong Chik-sam, who is charged with offering a bribe of \$30 to an Indian Police Sergeant, and with possession of four faks of non-Government opium, again appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he was committed for trial on the charge of bribery. Inspector P. Grant prosecuted and Mr. E. Davidson defended.

When the defendant first appeared in Court it was stated that when he was searched and asked to open a small box which he was carrying, he said he had lost his key. On the way to the Police Station, he drew out \$30 and offered it to the Sergeant. On his arrival at the Police Station, the key to the box was found in his possession and the opium was inside the box.

The defence put forward this morning was that defendant was addicted to opium and was arrested soon after he landed, so he had not had an opportunity to purchase Government opium. He did not know the law of the Colony and wanted the sergeant to tell him how much he would be fined. As the sergeant could not understand, he produced the \$30 and wanted the sergeant to hand the money in and obtain his release.

On the charge of possession of opium, the defendant was fined \$250, and, as stated above, he was committed for trial on the bribery charge.

Bail, which was originally \$5,000, was reduced to \$2,500.

CURRENCY FIGHT.

BATTLE OVER RUPEE RATIO.

New Delhi, Mar. 7. A battle began in the Legislative Assembly to-day over the rupee ratio question and it promises to be a very hard-fought two days' contest. Nobody is able to guess the result as the forces appear to be absolutely evenly divided.

Sir Basil Blackett, Finance Member, in a speech declared that a sixteen-penny Rupee would cause a financial panic all round, dislocation of business, enormous losses and economic discontent. He remarked that whatever arguments might be for and against immediate stabilisation at eighteen-pence, the alternative of immediate stabilisation at sixteen-pence was entirely out of the question. It was entirely unthinkable that we should suddenly and arbitrarily decree a depreciation of eleven per cent. in the value of every rupee, every currency note, and every title to money in India. If there is a choice it must be between stabilising at eighteen-pence now and not stabilising at all at present. Unless we stabilise now at eighteen-pence we shall undo what has been done and shall have to begin all over again.

Pundit Malaviya declared that India really wanted a gold standard and gold currency. He strongly advocated a sixteen-penny rupee.

Sir Victor Sassoon also advocated that sixteen-pence would be the best permanent ratio for India.—*Reuter*.

Debate Adjourned.

The House agreed to consider the Rupee Ratio Bill and adjourned.—*Reuter*.

PRESENTATION.

TO MRS. E. JENKINSON.

The lounge at the Peak Hotel was the scene of an interesting presentation last evening, when Mrs. Jenkinson, who has been the Manageress of the Hotel for the past four years and who is retiring, was presented with a cheque which had been subscribed by the residents of the Hotel as a mark of their esteem and good wishes.

Mrs. E. Ralphs made the presentation on behalf of the residents and made acknowledgement of the manner in which Mrs. Jenkinson had always striven to secure the smooth working of the hotel and to care for the comfort of all residents.

Mrs. Jenkinson, who replied, is leaving by the Empress of Asia to-morrow and will take with her in her retirement in Victoria, B.C., the best wishes of her many friends.

The Very Idea!

"The little circus-performer read the note and patted himself on the back."

It takes a circus performer to do that sort of thing really well.

One way American business firms save time is through the use of "form letters" which they send out in reply to constantly recurring questions.

An American railway company received a letter from one of their passengers complaining bitterly of the presence of vermin in the berth he had occupied during a trans-Continental journey. As a result sleep had deserted him entirely. The passenger was mollified, however, when he received a reply from the company couched in highly apologetic terms.

They said that, whilst they did everything in their power to keep the berths clean, that sort of thing happened now and then. "Very courteous of them," murmured the passenger, as he put back the letter in the envelope.

Just then a slip of paper fell out of the envelope and on picking it up the passenger read:—"Send this guy the Bug Letter!"

"I'd like to find the hen," said he.
"Who laid this egg?" Sad tears.
He should have known the hen had been
Quite dead for many years.

Hackney woman: When I was married I was fascinated by my husband's money, but now I am fascinated by his debts.

Hoxton debtor: It is the worst plight I have ever been in since the war. I have not even a "gasper."

Barrister at Shoreditch: As you married a widow with five children you had a lot of money, I suppose? Man: No, she had.

Dublin policeman: He was violent and in the struggle he knocked me down twice. Irishman: That is not true; you flatter me.

Nottinghamshire woman: He is always drinking—he cannot do anything else!

Mr. Leonard Frank, who is thirty-six years old and four feet in height, was recently married to Miss Sophie Lind at Kensington Register Office. Miss Lind is twenty-five years old and weighs three stone. She is one inch shorter than her husband.

I recognise that in paying the magnificent sum of ten shillings a year I cannot expect to have the whole empyrean attuned to my particular tastes for twelve hours of the day.—Mr. A. G. Gardiner.

I think I might have been a better man if I had not been such a good boy.—Professor S. Alexander.

If we eliminated all waste space and collected the particles which remained into one ball, a man would be reduced to a tiny speck just visible with a magnifying glass.—Prof Eddington.

Mrs. George A. Waters of Pawnee, Okla., has become the first woman warden of Oklahoma penal institution for men, and Gov. Henry S. Johnson believes, the first woman to fill such a position in the United States. Her appointment by Governor Johnson to head the state reformatory at Granite, Okla., was confirmed by the State Senate.

"I guess you can't beat this for ingenuity," said the American. "At Noo Yark, one of our tall skyscrapers caught fire, and the roof was so high up that the escape couldn't reach it to rescue some people. So what did we do? We squirted up water that high that it froze, and the people on the roof were able to slide down the column of ice."

"Man that's strange," said a Scotsman in reply. "A similar thing happened in Edinburgh, but that column of water was 50 feet short of the roof."

"And what happened?" "Oh! The fireman told the crowd to stare up hard, and the people on the roof walked down the stairs."

When the electric light failed at Penarth, Glamorgan, the operator at a cinema averted a panic by explaining the position. The band played the Froth Blowers' anthem, and half an hour in darkness was spent in community singing.

LOCAL HOTEL THEFTS.

AUSTRALIAN SENT TO PRISON.

CASE CLEARLY PROVED.

Ernest Trevor, an Australian, appeared on remand before Major C. Willson, at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning, in respect of two charges of larceny of property from residents of the Glenealy Hotel, and of a third charge of possession of an automatic pistol without a permit.

His Worship:—I understand that it was your intention to plead not guilty to the two charges of larceny? Defendant:—Not to the charge of larceny, your Worship.

With regard to the third charge, with having in your possession a stolen pistol and ammunition, what do you say?—Well, I am guilty of carrying them without a licence. I am not carrying them for any felonious intent.

Defendant's statements were accepted as a plea of not guilty to all the charges, and evidence was called.

Resident's Evidence.

Mr. Leslie Haynes, a resident of the Glenealy Hotel, who appeared as the complainant in the first charge of larceny, stated that between the 11th and 12th of last month, he missed two silk shirts and collars from a wardrobe, and did not see them again until being called to No. 35, Connaught Road Central, where they were recovered by Sub-Detective Inspector Murphy.

Examined by Sub-Inspector Murphy, witness said that he had seen defendant several times at the Glenealy Hotel, and that these visits always synchronised with the disappearance of property from the hotel. Following a husband-and-wife raid over the theft of property from a French lady living in an adjoining room, this coincidence struck witness in a forcible way when he came to think over the matter the following morning. Having himself seen defendant loitering in the passage, witness "put two and two together," and connected the defendant with the theft of the shirts, and made a report to the police to that effect.

Replying to another question from Sub-Inspector Murphy, witness said he had mentioned the disappearance of the shirts to defendant, to which the latter remarked:—"Hard luck, they are very nice shirts, although the colour is too bright."

Lady's Losses.

Madame Andre Gauchier, who was the complainant in the second charge, stated that she lived at the Glenealy Hotel at the time the theft occurred. She testified to ownership of the articles exhibited in Court, which were a silk scarf, two newly-bought dress lengths, three ties, two pairs of socks, a hair-clipper, a tiny toilet lamp, a bottle of mouthful spirits, and an automatic pistol and a clip of ammunition. They were all locked up in a box in her room at the hotel, which, at the probable time of the theft of these articles, was left open on account of the walls of the room being washed. The box was found to be still locked after the articles had disappeared from it. She had never known defendant previous to being called into the case.

Regarding the incident of a bell being rung from Madame Gauchier's room, mentioned in Mr. Haynes' evidence, a room-boy was called to give evidence to this evidence. He said that on thus being summoned from the dining room, he went upstairs, and met the defendant in the passage. Being told by defendant that the key of Mr. Haynes' room was wanted, witness left another boy to carry out this order.

Asked if he had anything to say regarding this evidence, defendant said he had Mr. Haynes' permission to use the latter's room whenever he wanted to.

Detective Sergeant Carey said that while looking for the defendant to execute a search warrant, on the charge of arms possession without a permit, he came across the defendant in the compound of the Central Police Station. They both proceeded to No. 35, Connaught Road Central, where defendant lived, and in a search of the ground floor at this place he discovered the articles enumerated in the charges.

Defendant's Story.

The defendant made a lengthy statement in which he said he was keeping the articles until such time as Mr. Haynes, who

TRAFFIC CASES.

DEFENDANT WHO DISAPPEARED.

"There were three of them riding on a small 2½ h.p. motor cycle along Queen's Road East.

I was trying to find him for a week afterwards, and he has given the police a lot of trouble," said Traffic Sergeant Baker, at the Central Police Court this morning, when a Chinese was summoned before Major C. Willson for riding his motor cycle in a dangerous manner.

It appears that the defendant could not be found after being stopped by Sgt. Baker, in August last year, until a few days ago.

On entering the Court to-day the defendant smiled, and catching the eye of Sub-Inspector Mason, bade him a cheery "Hello."

The defendant said it was so long ago that he could not remember anything about the incident.

Sgt. Baker remarked that he could remember, as he knew what he was wanted for when he was found.

A fine of \$15 was imposed.

Inefficient Brakes.

In another case, the owner of a motor car was summoned for allowing his car to be driven with inefficient brakes.

Sub-Inspector Alexander said the car knocked down a little girl in Belcher Street, seriously injuring her, and causing her to be in hospital for two months. The man who was driving the car at the time had been charged.

When tests were carried out, it was found that at 30 m.p.h. the car pulled up in 83 ft. 6 ins. when the foot brake was applied. At 15 m.p.h., with the hand brake, it pulled up in 60 ft., and with both brakes at 28 m.p.h. it was brought to a stop in 75 ft. 6 ins. A fine of \$10 was imposed.

Licence Suspended.

In fining a Chinese \$25, and recommending the suspension of his licence for three months, his Worship remarked that it seemed to be a very bad case. The defendant was charged with reckless driving.

Traffic Sergeant Clarke said the car was travelling at 30 m.p.h. and he signalled it to stop but instead of doing so, it increased speed. The defendant also overtook another car on the wrong side.

Charles So, living in Queen's Road West, was fined \$20 for driving at a speed of between 30 and 35 m.p.h. at Sai Wan Ho.

'PLANE FALLS INTO SEA.

MISHAP TO LONG FLIGHT MACHINE.

Monte Video, Mar. 7.

One of the United States' Air-force aeroplanes, which are making 20,000 mile flight round South America, fell into the sea shortly after taking off on a continuation of the flight northwards. There were no casualties.—*Reuter's American Service.*

engaged him for advertising work, should arrange to pay him. Although he had approached Mr. Haynes for money, he said, he had never been successful in getting any. In a moment of indignation, he entered what he understood was Mr. Haynes' bathroom and took the articles, purely as a matter of assuring himself that he would receive some money at the end of the month. So far he added, he had only received \$3 for his work on the *Ladies Weekly*. He was under the impression that all the articles belonged to Mr. Haynes.

Defendant read out a statement on the law of felony, and added that he had no intention of stealing. With regard to the pistol, he said it was a licensed weapon, and he was going to take up a position which would enable him to carry arms.

Case Clearly Proved.

His Worship remarked that the case had been very clearly proved against the defendant, that he took the articles with the intention of stealing them. On the first two charges, the defendant would have to go to prison for one month with hard labour, and on the charge of being in possession of arms without a licence, he would be fined \$50, or one month, the sentences to run consecutively.

ANOTHER HANGCHOW OUTRAGE.

MOB TAKES OVER C.M.S. HOSPITAL.

UNION INSTIGATION.

Disquieting news has been received in Shanghai that the hospital of the Church Missionary Society has been raided and "taken over" by some of the self-appointed administrators of the People's Government in Hangchow.

On February 21, the day after Dr. Gordon Thompson had turned the management over to the Chinese staff and himself left the capital, two delegates called to advise the staff that they represented the "Committee of the Union to take back the Educational authority of Kwan Chi Medical School and Hospital."

On the next day the place was invaded by a mob instigated by the "union" who proceeded to take possession by force. They overran the whole place doing some damage and occupying the offices. Most of the staff succeeded in escaping from the buildings and leaving the compound though a few loyally stuck to their posts and attempted to treat with the leaders of the invaders while sending out an appeal for police protection.

Later two delegates arrived from police headquarters and called a mass meeting in one of the larger rooms. One of these representatives addressed the crowd to the effect that the property must of course be "restored to the Government," but that there was no need for haste and violence as the buildings could not be removed and the "taking over" could be effected in due course in the regular way. Some law and order was restored and the buildings and compound are now under a police guard.

SHANGHAI JOCKEY.

MR. DALLAS MARRIED IN HONGKONG.

Telegraphic information arrived from Hongkong yesterday (says the *N. C. Daily News* of Saturday) to the effect that Mr. Alexander Norman Dallas had found time during an interval in the Hongkong Jockey Club's racing programme to be married to Miss Esther Cook.

Mr. Dallas is the younger son of Mr. and Mrs. George Dallas, of Shanghai, and is as well known and successful as a jockey as his father is as an owner and trainer. He has been riding on the course but a very few years, yet he has managed to win most of the important races and probably, in the time he has been riding, has had a larger percentage of wins than any other jockey. He had a very successful time at the Hongkong meeting.

Mr. Dallas's bride is the younger daughter of the late Mr. Joseph and Mrs. Cook, of Glasgow, and also is well-known in Shanghai, where she has resided for some time past. It was stated last week that the wedding was to be a very quiet affair.

RUBBER EXPORTS.

FIGURES OF UNUSED CREDITS.

London, Mar. 7.

In the House of Commons, answering questions, Mr. L. S. Amery, gave the figures of unused export credits for rubber as follows:

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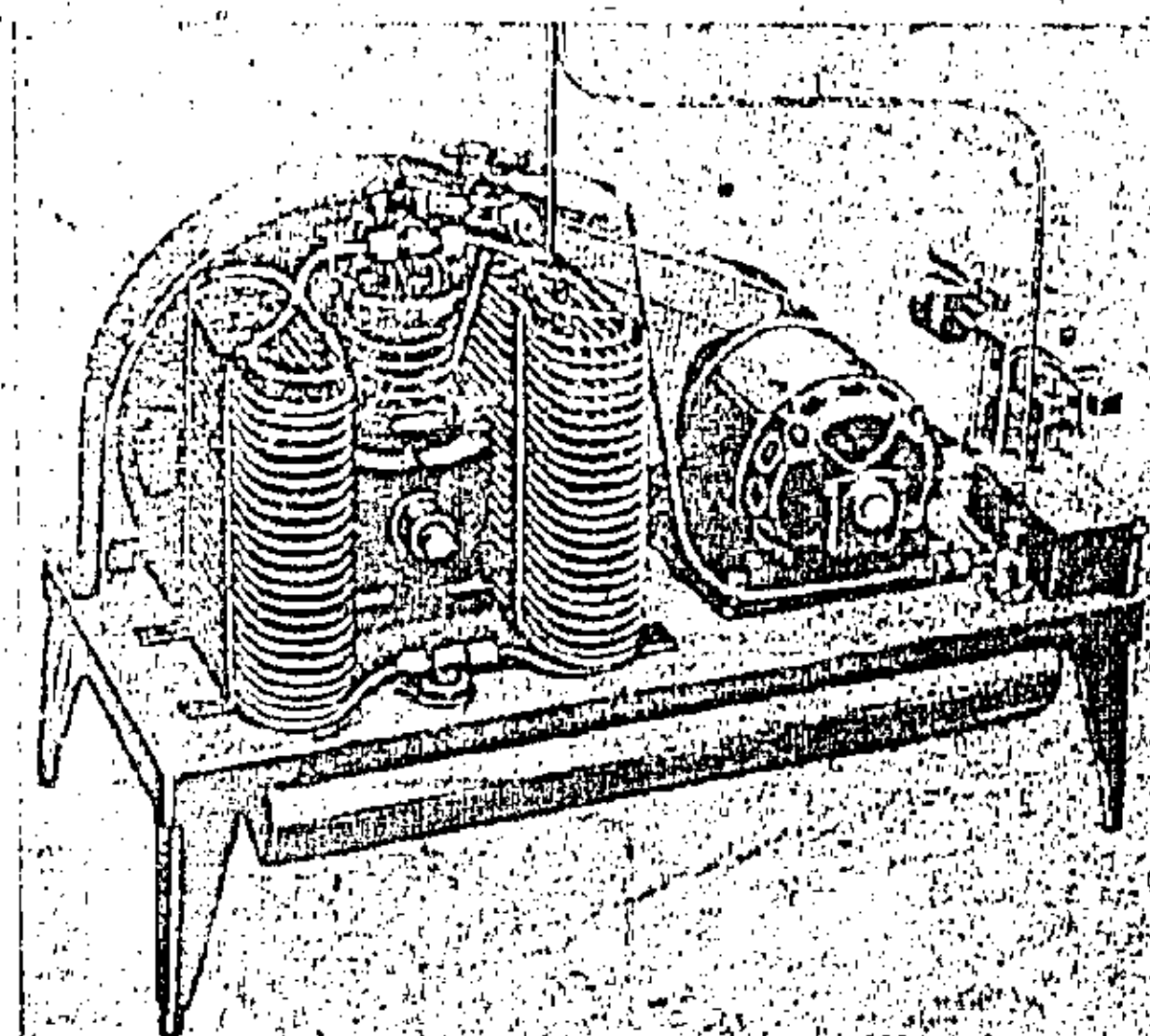
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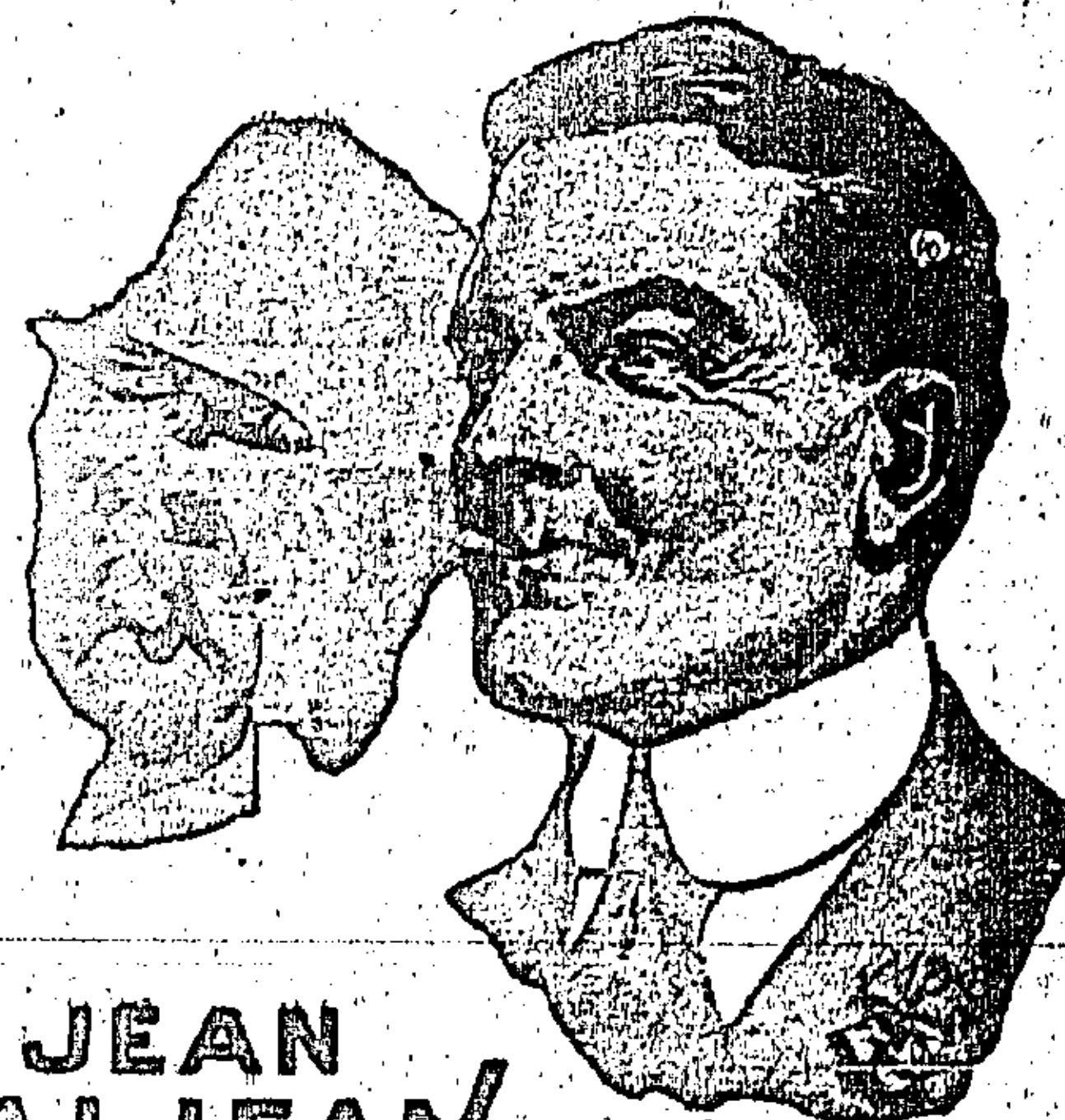
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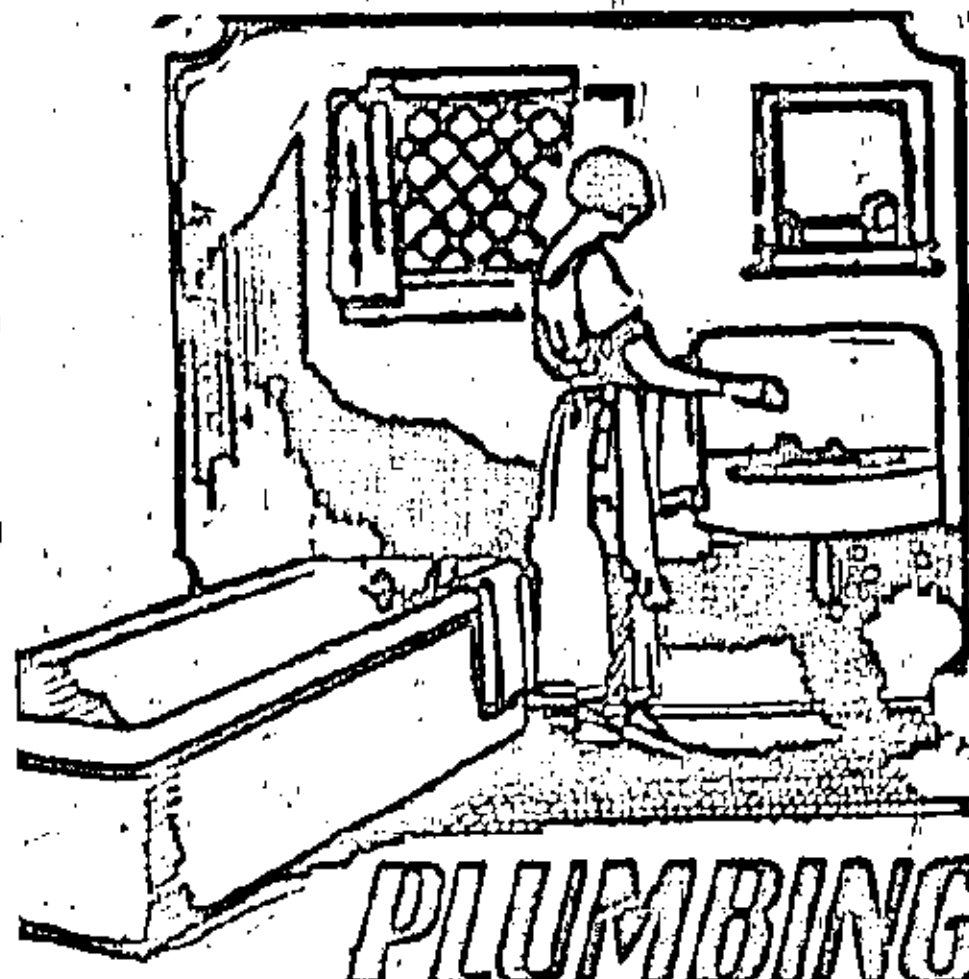
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V. D. A. MEETING.

APPEAL OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the Victoria Diocesan Association (Hongkong Branch) held at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening, Mr. T. B. Woods of Foochow said that missionary workers had every prospect of getting back there again. He did not want people to believe that they had sustained a blow from which they were not going to recover.

Shortly before he left Foochow an officer of the Southern Army asked that his daughter should enter the Christian College. He had come to the conclusion that was the best place for her.

With regard to the schools in Fukien the general impression he had was that they were going forward and not falling back. As far as one could see the Christian Church was one of the few permanent things in China and the only thing which would heal the country's wounds.

A Useful Organisation.

The Bishop of Victoria presided at the meeting and said that at the V.D.A. reception to the Bishop of London last December, the latter made a strong appeal for corporate effort on the part of Church people in Hongkong to back up the work of the diocese as a diocese.

"I have no doubt," continued the Bishop, "that on June 29th, at the V.D.A. reunion in London, the Bishop will make an equally strong appeal to people at home to back up the work of this diocese."

"The Victoria Diocesan Association is the natural organ through which the different groups connected with Chinese and Colonial Church life can help forward the work of the diocese."

"I do now want to make any extravagant claims for the V.D.A. but I know full well it is at present a relatively small organisation, and its activities are correspondingly small, but it has within itself the principle of growth and is capable of wide expansion, and given the right leadership, such as I believe we have got in the officials and council for this year, I prophesy a wide expansion for the Association."

A Focussing Point.

"While the Victoria Diocesan Association is a comparatively small organisation, it is a very useful one. It forms the natural focussing point for different activities within the diocese, and the Bishop knows that in the V.D.A. he has a band of people, both in England and here, upon whom he can count to uphold him in his work."

"As Bishop I should like to thank the V.D.A. for providing me both with a Diocesan Chaplain and a Diocesan Secretary. I regard neither of these offices as luxuries. They are essential to a Bishop for the effective discharge of his work, as anyone who has a real inside knowledge of a Bishop's duty would at once appreciate."

The Bishop thanked all who had worked for the V.D.A. during the past year and those who had taken up positions of responsibility for 1927.

The Annual Report.

The annual report of the Association, read at the meeting, states, in part: The Association

was started in England, in June 1920, for the purpose of banding together all who desire to interest themselves in the work of this vast and undeveloped Diocese. The Hongkong branch was started in March 1921. The membership in England is rather more than a thousand, and in Hongkong the membership is two hundred and sixty.

The reunion in London last year was presided over by Sir Frederick Lugard, and the Rev. R. J. Northcott—lately Military Chaplain in Hongkong—gave the address at the morning service.

There was a good representation from Hongkong and South China at these gatherings.

Meetings in Hongkong.

Two conversaciones were held in Hongkong during the year with a view to deepening interest.

The first took place in April and was intended to illustrate some of the Educational work being done in the Diocese.

The second was held in November, and was illustrative of Social and Medical work.

At each of these gatherings there was an attendance of some 170.

Sunday, November 21, was observed as V.D.A. Sunday by all the Churches, Chinese and European in Hongkong. It was felt that the special services helped a great deal in creating a renewed interest in the work which lies before the Church in South China. The collections in the various churches amounted to about \$400 and were given to the General Fund, being earmarked for specific purposes, such as the Building Fund for the new All Saints, Yau-mat, Church.

It has been decided that in future the Sunday before Advent shall be reserved for V.D.A. Sunday, and that the Autumn Conversaciones should be held on the preceding Monday.

The Bishop of London.

The year has been a memorable one on account of the ten days' visit paid by the Bishop of London to the Diocese.

On December 27th the V.D.A. organised a reception for the Bishop of London, at which some seven hundred (700) people were present.

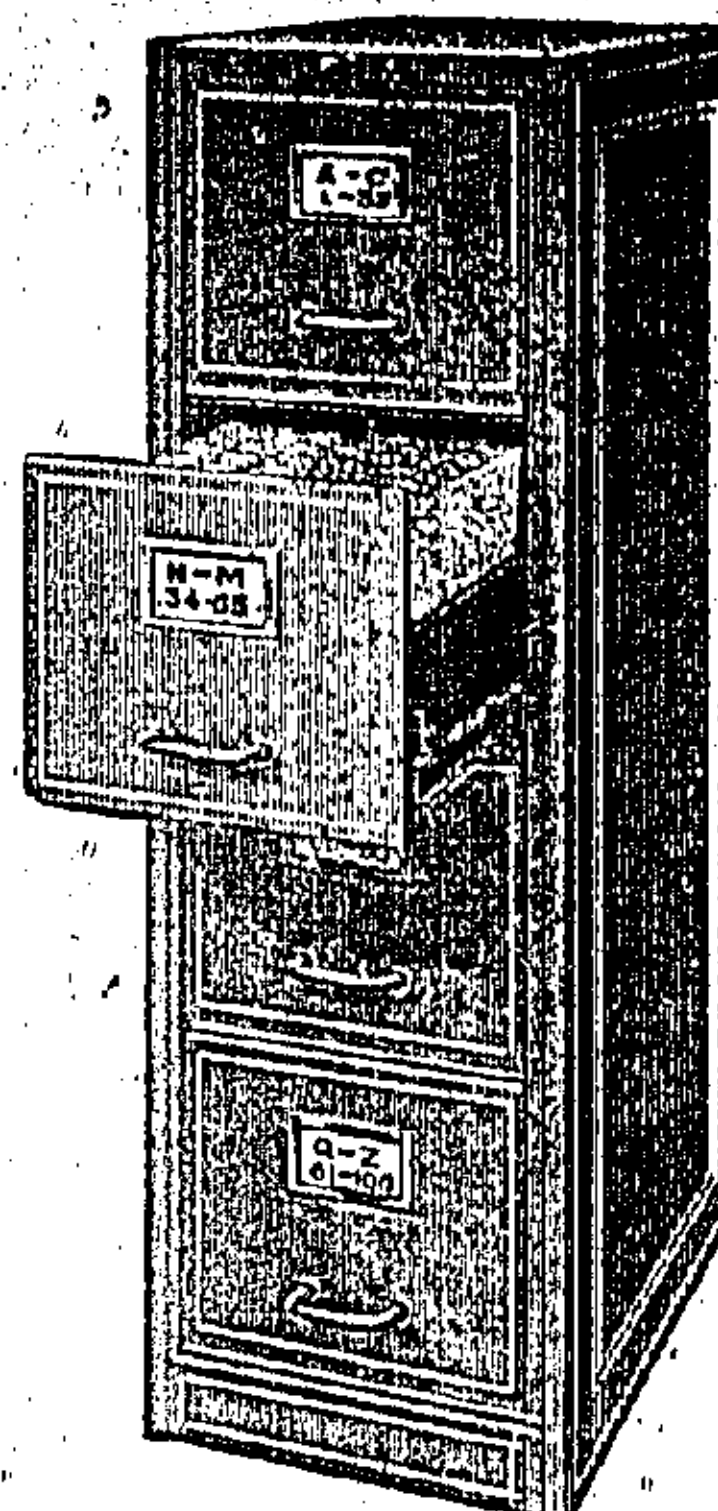
Thanks to the energy of the Hospital Supplies' Secretary (Mrs. Lay) and her fellow workers, a large box of hospital supplies is being sent to the hospital in Yunnan-Fu.

Grants.

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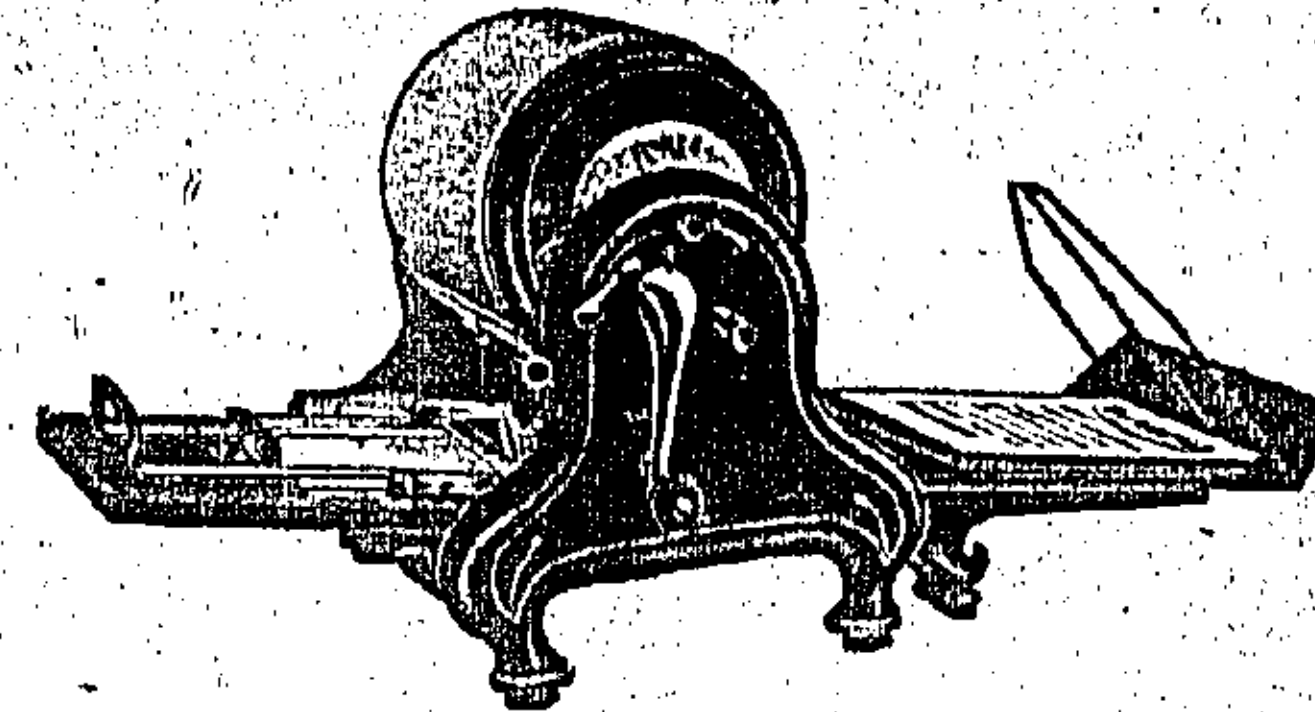


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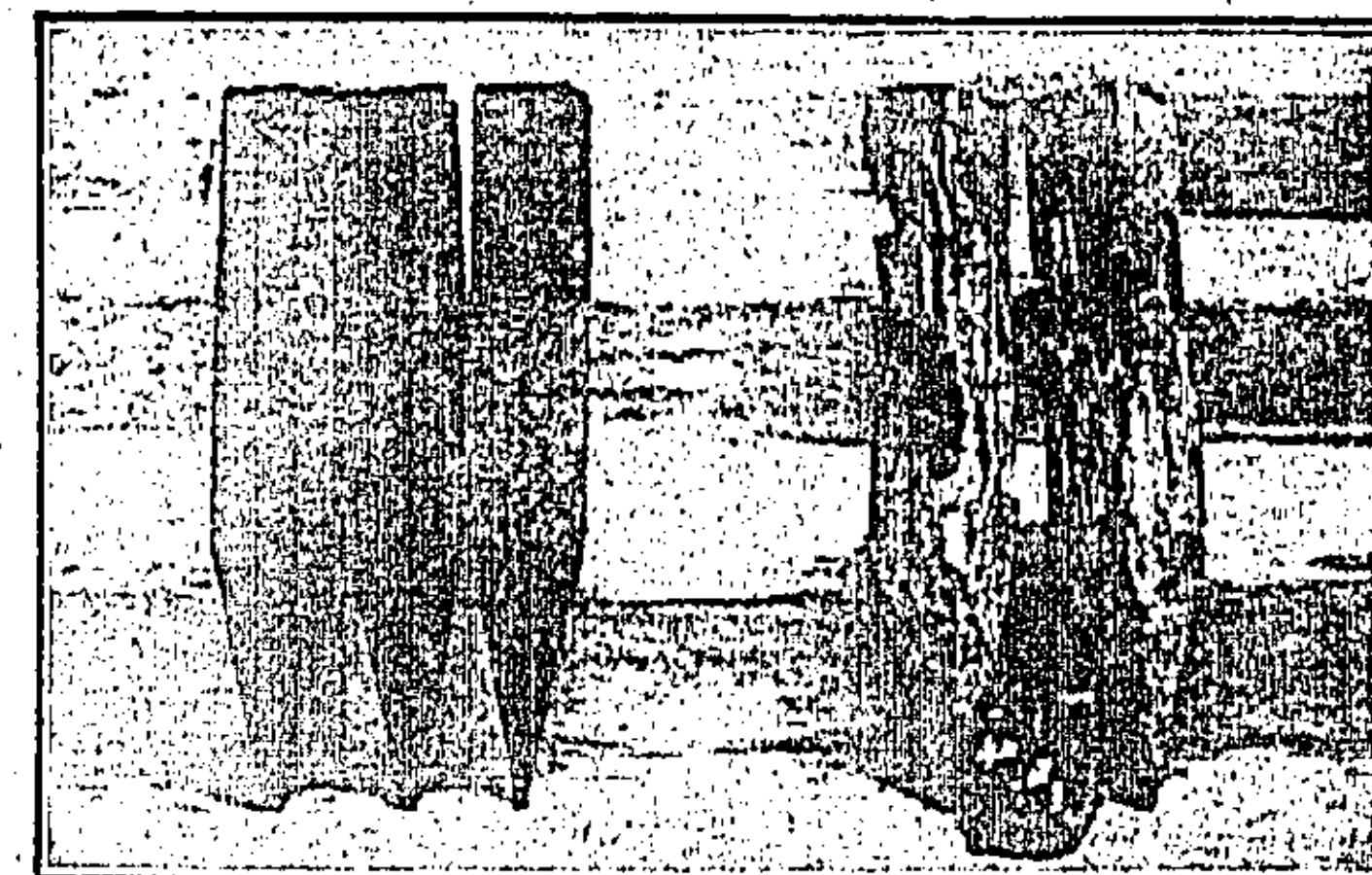
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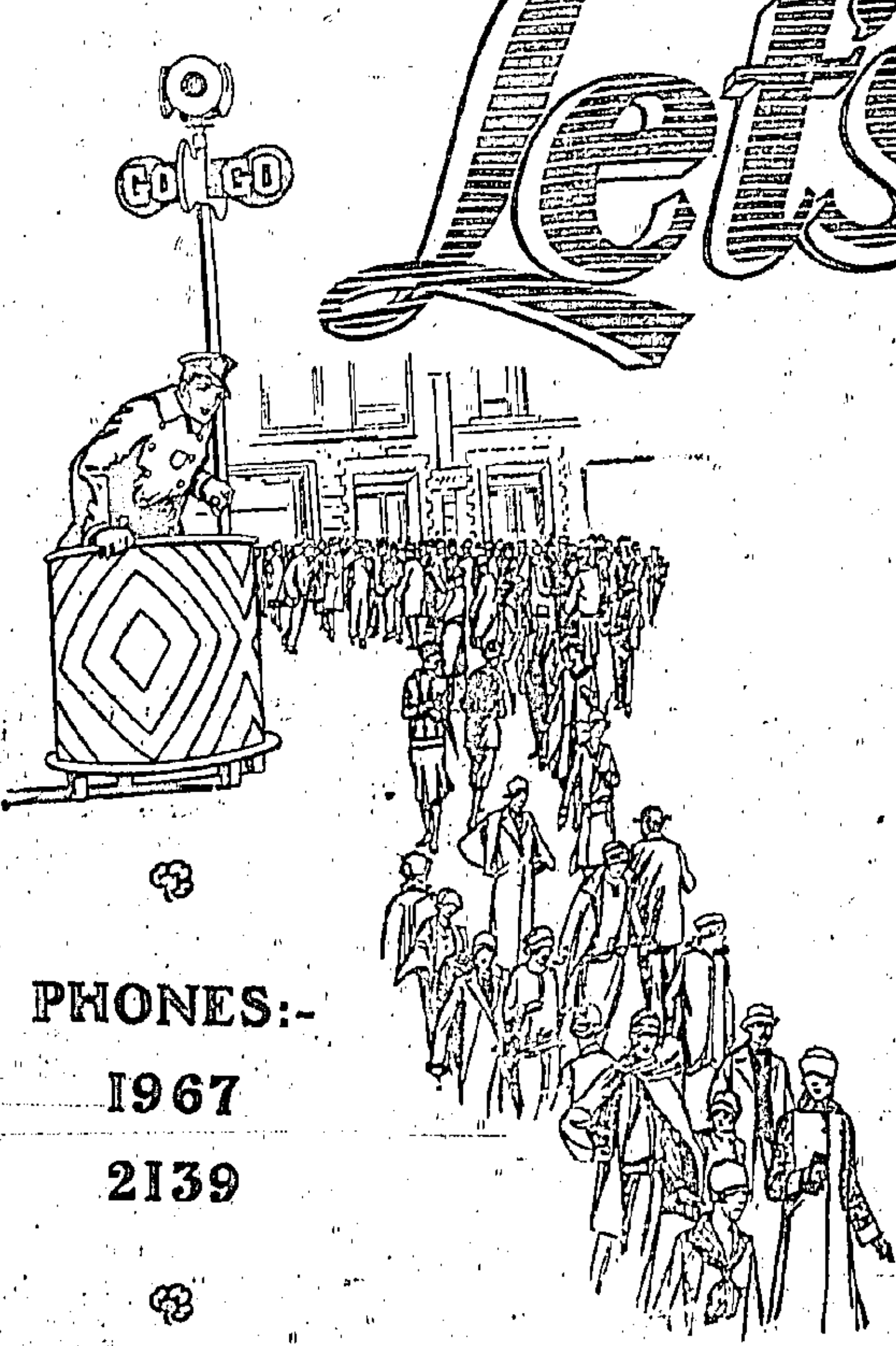
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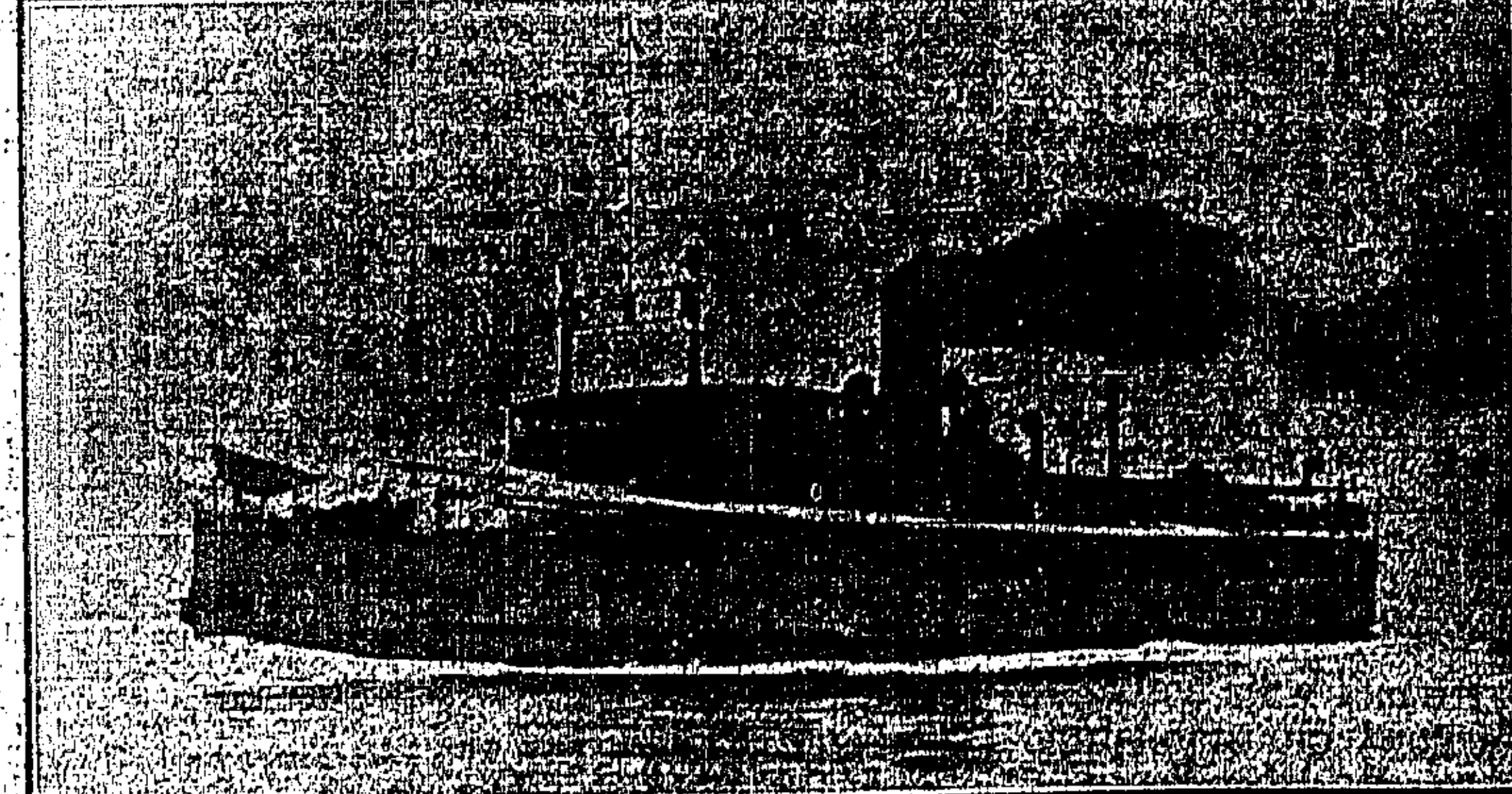
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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 25th instant or they will not be recognized.

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All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 21st March, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

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BREAD SUPPLIES.

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The military authorities have accepted the tender of Messrs. Lane, Crawford's Ltd., for the supply of bread to all troops in Hongkong and the New Territories.

The firm has also secured the Navy contract for 1927 and with the large increase in the local naval forces, their new bakery machinery installed, but recently will be kept continually busy.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford's informed a *Telegraph* representative this morning that their new plant is sufficient to provide bread for 10,000 troops, the Navy and the civil populace without undue pressure.

SHANGHAI DEFENCE.

No Chinese Troops In Settlement.

London, March 7.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Oswald Mosley (Labour), Mr. G. Locker-Lampson emphasised that there were no Chinese armed forces whatsoever within the International Settlement at Shanghai. The foreign Governments could not possibly prevent anyone entering the Chinese City.

Mrs. Susan Lawrence (Labour) asked if there were Chinese troops within the British lines, and Mr. Locker-Lampson replied "Certainly not."

Replying to Mr. Garro Jones (Liberal) Mr. Locker-Lampson said that the British Military Commander at Shanghai had been instructed to co-operate with the Commanders of troops of foreign Powers landed for the defence of the International Settlement, but neither he nor any military officer had been empowered to treat with the Chinese forces.

Mr. Garro Jones asked whether it was intended to empower the local Commander to treat with the Chinese forces if they established contact, and Mr. Locker-Lampson replied that that should be the subject of a further question.—*Reuter*.

HISTORY OF SHANGHAI.

No Question of Treaty.

London, March 7.

In the House of Commons, answering questions, Mr. Locker-Lampson outlined the history of the International Settlement at Shanghai and stated that negotiations were at present in progress for the addition of Chinese members to the Municipal Council.

Col. John Ward drew attention to a statement by the Washington Government that it had no Concessions and no Treaties connected with territory in China, and Mr. Locker-Lampson, in reply, said that this was not the case of a Treaty at all. The International Settlement was not established by Treaty, but by certain Land Regulations, which Chinese officials subsequently recognised as valid.

Asked whether it was proposed to take any action against the Britisher, Sutton, in charge of the arsenal at Mukden, Mr. Locker-Lampson replied that his information in that connection was incomplete and he was awaiting a full report.—*Reuter*.

CUSTOMS' FUNDS.

What is Happening at Shanghai.

London, Mar. 7.

In the House of Commons replying to Mr. C. P. Trevelyan (Labour) Mr. Locker-Lampson said that the Chinese Maritime Customs' administration was collecting the Customs at Shanghai which were paid into certain foreign and Chinese Banks and applied to the service of Chinese foreign and domestic obligations. The Northern Government get the benefit.

Col. Wedgwood (Labour) asked if Marshal Sun Chuan-fang had carried off the monies, but no answer was given.

Mr. Trevelyan asked whether the Government intended to refuse to allow Cantonese troops to enter Shanghai if they offered a guarantee for the safety of the foreign Concessions, and Mr. Locker-Lampson said he could not attempt to answer hypothetical questions of this kind.

Replying to Labourite supplementary questions, he declared that no armed Chinese forces had been allowed to enter the Settlement.—*Reuter*.

CHINA AND LEAGUE.

Mr. Chu Makes Statement.

Genova, Mar. 7.

Mr. Chao Hsin-chu, who attended the meeting of the League Coun-

cil has made a statement to the press denying that China intended suddenly to raise the question of the International situation of China. Mr. Wellington Koo had instructed him to notify Sir Eric Drummond that the Chinese Government reserves the right to answer the British Government statement made on February 2nd, but that so far Mr. Koo Chu had not been instructed further by Mr. Koo. He added: "our attitude is conciliatory and our demands are most legitimate since we ask nothing but the non-infringement of our sovereignty and territorial integrity."

Reuter's correspondent learns that Mr. Chu feels easier now, owing to the confidence expressed in him by the Cantonese delegates in Europe, which was not the case at the Council meeting held in December.—*Reuter*.

THE SHANGHAI FORCE.

Cost at Least £6,000 Weekly.

The accommodation of the British troops in Shanghai has been in the hands of a local committee from the start, experts being employed on the work, says the *N. C. Daily News*. Already, probably half a million dollars (Mex.) has been spent on hutments and other accommodation. This, fortunately, is non-recurring expenditure.

To realize, however, what the running expenses of a force such as this amount to, it has to be borne in mind that the pay drawn locally by men of an English battalion comes to approximately £1,000 a week, and as we have in port six battalions (including the Marines aboard the *Minnesota*), one can see £6,000 weekly for a commencement. This does not include officers' pay, and there is also the staff with its details to be added.

Then the two Indian battalions will have to have their quota reckoned in. It is quite impossible to give an idea of the total expense, for besides 65 cents a day for the food of the soldiers, there are all the other incidentals—equipment and the like, which are very heavy items—to be taken into consideration.

WHITE RUSSIANS.

Backbone of Shantung Army.

White Russian troops will probably be used to form the backbone of the army Marshal Chang Tsung-chang, Governor of Shantung, is sending down to Sunkiang to hold the new battle line there against the Cantonese for the defence of Shanghai, according to Chinese reports. These men belong to the division of 4,000 auxiliary Russian troops, all veteran and seasoned fighters, who have recently been enlisted under the Shantung warlord's banner.

At present, the Shantung Governor has about 7,000 troops in Shanghai and district, but large numbers are at points between Shanghai and Nanjing. Largest concentrations are in the north owing to the discovery of new threats to power in Anhui, and uncertainties of the situation north of Shanghai.

CANTON REDS.

GENERAL LI TAKES ACTION.

It appears that General Li Chai-sun, the Canton military leader, is taking action instead of merely warning the Red agitators. On Sunday, General Li sent some troops to the Red headquarters near Tung Yuen to have Wong Hap-sang arrested. The charge preferred against Wong was that he had planned sedition against the Party and had created disturbances in the city recently by circulating seditious (Communist) propaganda.

However, when General Li's troops arrived at Wong's secret office, near Tung Yuen, Wong and his followers had made their escape and no arrests were made. With Wong escaped Lau Yisung, another active leader of the Red Labour Headquarters.

General Chang Kai-shek has sent an order to General Li Chai-sun that the entire 4th Army, under General Li, should be sent to the front to participate in operations against the Fengtien armies. General Li, however, has wired to General Chang stating that part of his army should be left in Canton for suppressing labour troubles.

RAISING THE WIND.BRASS NAME-PLATE
STOLEN.

A Chinese who admitted that he was out of work, and, as a last resort, took to stealing a brass name-plate from an office building in the city, was sent to prison for one month by Major C. Willson at the Central Police Court this morning.

The theft occurred at 6.30 yesterday morning, and it was stated by the prosecuting police officer, Detective Sergeant Baker, that the defendant also removed the brass-knocker from the door. The plate belonged to the office of the United States Bureau of Shipping.

**INDUSTRIAL
CONGRESS.**

ANGLO-FRENCH DISCUSSIONS.

London, Mar. 7.

A two-day Conference, similar to that held last November between British and German industrial organisations, began this morning in London between British and French industrialists.

There were 15 representatives on each side. Sir Max Muspratt, President of the Federation of British Industries, presided over the British section and M. Duchemin, over the French.

The proceedings were private but it is stated that the discussion is following the lines of the Agenda for the Economic Conference at Geneva, in May.—*British Wireless*.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Walter Charles Clark, acting assistant manager of the Hongkong Telephone Co. of 21 Broadwood Road, Happy Valley, and Evelyn Winifred Thompson, of 23 Broadwood Road.

ARMY ESTIMATES.

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also the pay of the army were agreed to without a division.—*Reuter*.

Labour Motion Rejected.

London, Mar. 7.

In the House of Commons, in the course of a debate on the Army estimates, Mr. Arthur Greenwood (Labourite) moved that in the interests of peace and economy and in order to inspire national confidence and security other than by large standing armies, Britain should, in the preparatory Commission for the Geneva Disarmament Conference, initiate proposals for an international agreement on the reduction of land forces.

Mr. Douglas King, Financial Secretary to the War Office, replying, agreed that a reduction in land forces was only possible by international agreement, including all nations not represented at the Geneva conference, as, for instance, Russia, with a standing army of 650,000 and an organised subsidiary force of nearly nine million.

Mr. Greenwood's motion was rejected by 223 votes to 108.—*Reuter*.

STRIKE THREAT.

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ment put forward by the National Labour Union was that this temporary cessation of work should take place as a protest by the Chinese people against the landing of foreign troops in China.

Postal Leaders.

When calling the second general strike, it is expected that employees of the Post Office will lead the movement, followed by tramway employees, and then by the mill workers, says the *Shanghai Morning*.

Recently, representatives of the tramway workers in the Settlement as well as in the French Concession convened a meeting held in the latter district. At the meeting it was decided that:

- 1.—Tramway workers in both Settlements shall act in concert.
- 2.—They shall act in accordance with the command and order of the General Labour Union.
- 3.—Messenger and communication parties shall be organised in order to keep in touch mutually.
- 4.—Names of those dismissed and arrested shall be reported to the General Labour Union.

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NEW TERRITORY ACCIDENT.

Passing through the village of Taikui, in the New Territories district of Antau, yesterday, a motor car knocked down a villager who was injured in both legs.

In attempting to avoid running into the man, the car swerved and collided with the cement railings at one side of the road. The railings were damaged, although the car was able to proceed back to Kowloon with the injured man, who was admitted into the Kowloon Hospital.

CAR V. RICKSHA.

EUROPEAN'S LUCKY ESCAPE.

Although thrown on the roadway, Mr. W. E. Nicholson escaped serious injuries when a motor car ran into a ricksha in which he was riding in Queen's Road East yesterday. The ricksha, however, was smashed up, and the coolie somewhat seriously injured.

In a police report, issued this morning, it is stated that the car proceeded on its way without stopping. Its number has been noted as No. 327.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, March 7.

New York	485.7/32
Geneva	25.23
Milan	110.7/16
Stockholm	32.36
Oslo	18.69
Prague	193.2
Madrid	28.62
Athens	375.1
Rio	5.4
Shanghai	2/5.34
Yokohama	2/5.32
Paris	12.60
Brussels	34.90
Amsterdam	12.12
Berlin	20.47
Copenhagen	18.21
Vicenna	34.47
Helsingfors	19.24
Lisbon	27.4
Buenos Aires	1/5.61/64
Bombay	1/11.4
Hongkong	25.7
Silver (spot)	25.11/10
Silver (forward)	—

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THEFT OF \$240 IN MONEY.

Messrs. S. C. Lay have reported to the police the theft of \$240, from a safe in their offices at Alexandra Buildings.

The theft is supposed to have been carried out on Saturday afternoon by an unknown person who succeeded in obtaining temporary possession of the safe key, and who was favoured also by the fact that the compartment containing the stolen money was accidentally left unlocked. The theft was discovered when business resumed after the weekend.

**WHO WAS
SHAKESPEARE.**

AN ITALIAN "DISCOVERY."

Rome.—Signor Santi Paladino announces in the *Impero* newspaper the discovery of important documents which, he maintains, prove that Shakespeare was an Italian named Florio who emigrated to England and died there, leaving his library to Lord Pembroke. Ever since 1843 certain people have doubted whether Shakespeare was the real author of the Shakespearean plays. Miss Della Bacon, an American, who died insane in 1869, was the first principal sceptic. Some, indeed, have gone so far in this foolish notion as to father on to Bacon nearly all the great products of late Elizabethan literature.

Florio's translation of Montaigne's Essays was published in 1603, and it is certain that Shakespeare studied the volume. Sir Sidney Lee, in his "Life of William Shakespeare," says, speaking of a certain part of "The Tempest": "Here Shakespeare literally adopts Montaigne's vocabulary with its abrupt turns as it figured in Florio's English translation of the Frenchman's essays."

A Bill providing that foreigners wishing to work in Norway must obtain special permission from the Norwegian authorities before their arrival in Norway has been passed by the Odelsting.